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18TH GRAND CONVOCATION

Of the M. E. Grand Chapter of Masons, Held in The Beautiful City of Fort Wayne, Ind., for

THE STATES OF INDIANA AND KENTUCKY.

Sketches of the Newly Elected Officers—Work of the Grand Commandary and Grand Chapter—Notes.

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, SECURES THE MEETING NEXT YEAR·

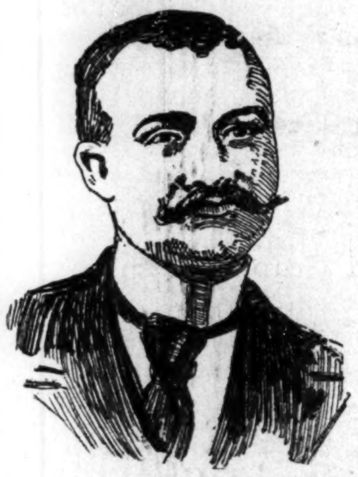
Extract From the Annual Address by Sir W. H. Perry, the Past M. E. Grand Commander—Toasts by Different Knights.

The eighteenth Grand Convocation ings of righteousness and the peaceful of the M. E. Grand Chapter for the States of Kentucky and Indiana convened in regular communication at Fort Wayne, Ind., Monday, Aug. 22, 1898. Officers for 1897 and 1898 were as follows:

N. N. Newman, Grand High Priest; J. W. Coleman, Deputy Grand High Priest; J. T. Gilliard, Grand King; Edward Jones, Grand Scribe; George Sutton, Grand Treasurer; Wm. H. Perry, Grand Secretary.

The session was quite an interesting one. The address of the M. E. Comp. N. N. Newman, Grand High Priest, and the reports of the different officers showed the jurisdiction to be in a healthy condition. The following representatives were present:

Mt. Horet No. 1, Comp. A. J. Lee; Mt. Carmel No. 3, J. W. Coleman; Enterprise No. 4, K. J. Cox; Mt. Hermon No. 8, Alfred Lane; St. Paul 'No. 9, Edward Jones; Shekinah No. 10, J. T. Gilliard; Eureka No. 11, Andrew Hall; Mt. Ararat No. 12, John W. Hopkins; Garfield No. 13, J. J. Weaver; Cyrus No. 15, C. Chavis.



SIR W. O. PETTIFORD.

M. E. Comp. N. N. Newman declined to be a candidate again and the election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows:

J. W. Coleman, Lexington, Ky., Grand High Priest; J. W. Hopkins, Louisville, Ky., Deputy Grand High Priest; S. M. Raines, Fort Wayne, Ind., Grand King; A .B. Jones, Maysville, Ky., Grand Scribe; George Sutton, Louisville, Ky., Grand Treasurer; Wm. H. Perry, Louisville, Ky., Grand Secretary.

Appointed Officers—George Nugen, Louisville, Ky., Grand Chaplain; Wm. H. Bullitt, Louisville, Ky., Grand Lecturer; A. J. Lee, Louisville, Ky., Grand Captain of the Host; J. T. Gilliard, Louisville, Ky., Grand Royal Arch Captain; M. T. Clay, Lexington, Ky., Grand Principal Sojourner; William Ridley, Louisville, Ky., third veil; William Wallace, Fort Wayne, second veil; Edward Jones, Fort Wayne, first veil; Deputy District Grand High Priest for Indiana, Wm. H. Brown.

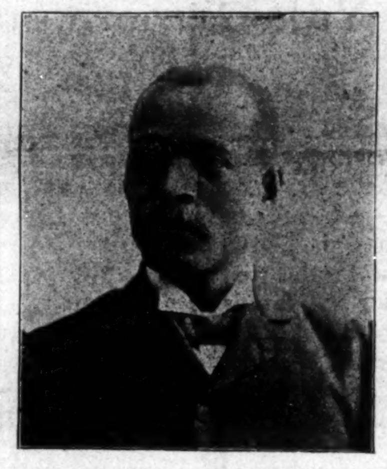
Committee on Jurisprudence—E. H. Allen, S. D. Martin, K. J. Cox.

Committee on Foreign Correspondence—N. N. Newman, A. J. Lee, W. H. Bullitt.

Committee on Printing—George Sutton, W. H. Perry, N. N. Newman.

The seventeenth annual Grand Conclave of the First Independent Grand Commandery for the States of Kentucky and Indiana was remarkable for the extent and importance of business accomplished and the excellence of the series of entertainments given in honor of the Grand Commandery and the visiting fraters. Tuesday morning, Aug. 23, Mt. Calvary Commandery No. 9 arrived from Louisville, acting as the special escort of Sir William H. Perry, Most Eminent Grand Commander.

Proceeding to Centlivre Park, a superb location selected by the local committee, the Sir Knights pitched their tents and soon the Templar banners and Old Glory floating to the breezes proclaimed that knightly courtesy and Kentucky hospitality were to be extended with lavish hand to the citizens of Fort Wayne.



Sir M. F. SMITH, Terre Haute, Ind.

Sir W. H. BULLITT, Louisville, Ky.

The Grand officers for '97 and '98.

The Grand officers for this session were as follows:

Sirs Wm. H. Perry, Most Eminent Grand Commander; Sir R. A .Brown, Right Eminent Grand Commander; Sirs J. R. Spurgeon, V. E. Grand Generalissimo; J. W. Coleman, V. E. Grand Captain General; A. J. Lee, V. E. Grand Prelate; Minter Graham, V. E. Grand Senior Warden; W. O. Pettiford, V. E. Grand Junior Warden; George Sutton, V. E. Grand Treasurer; Wm. H. Bullitt, V. E. Grand Recorder; James Smith, D. D. Grand Commander for Indiana; M. T. Clay, D. D. Grand Commander for Kentucky.

SESSION OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY.

This Grand Conclave is considered by an experienced knight as the best in the history of the jurisdiction and the past sessions have always reached high-water mark.

It was noteworthy for the presence of the young, brainy, progressive element of the race and of Templarism.

That day for which the forefathers of the Afro-American race so earnestly prayed has at last dawned, wherein difficult problems of government can be solved and wise measures of administration forecast by our own people.

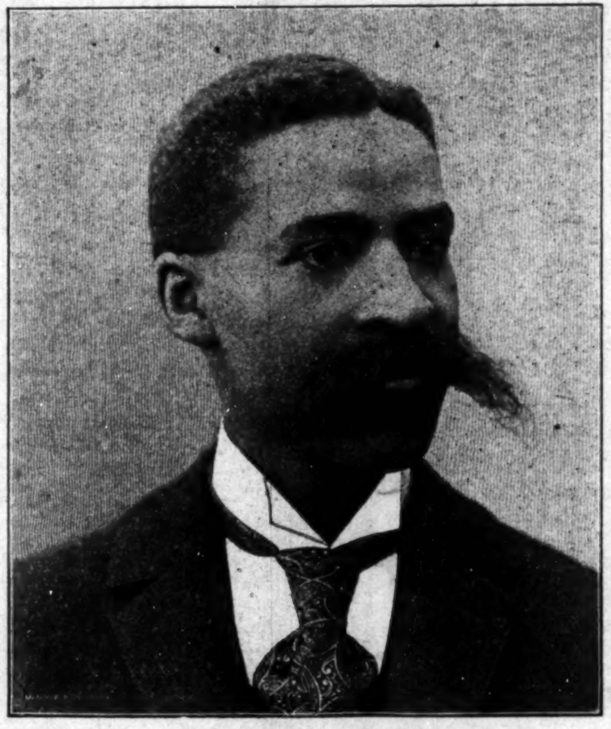
The fruitage of the unselfish labors of the pioneers of Masonry in this jurisdiction is now appearing to mankind. All honor to the living and to the sacred dead who have made the way possible and passable for those who now follow!

In addition to the grand officers the following representatives were present:

Sirs A. E. Meyzeek, Cyrene No. 1, Louisville, Ky.; Henry Clay, Bethany No. 2, Lexington, Ky.; K. J. Cox and S. K. Weir, Alpha No. 4, Louisville, Ky.; Sir Merritt Brown, A. B. Jones, Alfred Lane, Palestine No. 6, Maysville, Ky.; Sir T. H. Adams, Lincoln No. 8, Ft. Wayne, Ind.; Percy R. Peters, Mt. Calvary No. 9, Louisville, Ky.; N. N. Newman, Palestine No. 10, Louisville, Ky.; M. F. Smith, Olivet No. 11, Terre Haute, Ind.; W. O. Pettiford, Hinton No. 12, Marion, Ind.; Wm. Abstone, C. Chavis, Zerubbabel No. 14, Indianapolis, Ind.;

Communications were received from Messiah No. 3, Paris, Garrison No. 13, Lafayette, and from Sirs S. D. Martin and Napoleon Bonaparte, Louisville. All expressed regrets that they could not be present and hoped the session success.

The reports of the different grand officers were of an encouraging nature and the work of the standing committees and special committees was highly creditable—so much so that the M. E. Grand Commander complimented them upon the excellence of their reports.



SIR WM. H. PERRY,

Past M. E. Grand Commander and Grand Secretary of Grand Chapter.

The committee on grand officers' address carefully reviewed the address of M. E. Grand Commander Sir Wm. H. Perry, pronounced it an able document and recommended that it be published in full in the daily papers. We make the following extracts:

Dear Fraters—Another year has passed and in obedience to the requirements of our constitution, we have assembled in the seventeenth annual Grand Conclave of our Grand Commandery, to hold sweet counsel together and to consider plans for the upbuilding of our illustrious order.

That we have been mercifully protected during the past year and have been permitted to meet again without harm or hindrance is additional proof of God's goodness to us and to ours, and a forcible reminder that He expects of us results worthy so gracious care and consideration. For such blessings we should offer up the incense of pure and contrite hearts.

In our own great nation momentous events have occurred during the past year. Dewey's victory at Manila opened up a new future for our country and called forth a greater America, pledged to carry in her onward march the bless-fruits of a Christian civilization to all that give allegiance to the Stars and Stripes.

At the birth of the American republic Masonry extended her glad welcome. In the construction of the temple of liberty Masonic plumb lines and squares tested the material presented, that it should not be faulty, and in the future history of our nation, as in its past, Masonry will be found inseparably associated with our national growth and achievements.

The striking manifestations of the influence of Masonry in our national life and the knowledge of its world-wide effects in the progress of mankind, should act as an incentive to more earnest effort and as an admonition at all times to keep in view the true spirit of the principles we profess. The illustrous and magnanimous order of Templars has been immortalized in song and its glorious achievements perpetuated in glowing character by the pen of the historian. The thrilling history of the crusaders is a brilliant record of the heroic deeds of Christian warriors, whose battle cry was "Non Nobis Domine; Non Nobis Sed Nomini Tuo Da Gloriam." Standing in direct line of succession, professing the same immortal principles, defense of the Christian religion and protection of defenseless womanhood. It is well for us occasionally, like Moses on Pisgah, to ascend the mountains of truth and view the landscape over, thereby securing a broader outlook, more enduring faith in the final success of our efforts and a keener insight into the mission and spirit of Templarism.

Its mission is as lofty as in the days of yore. Its dauntless spirit is as potent to stir the pulse and nerve the arm for action and the indomitable courage displayed on many a battlefield by our fraters of old is none the less necessary in these modern days.

'Tis true the conditions have changed. The events that culminated in the war of the crusades can hardly be repeated, but the principles involved touching all that is holy and sacred must be defended as fearlessly, as assiduously, now by us as were they by those who fought in Palestine. "Peace has her victors, no less renowned than war."

It is the silent forces of nature that are most effective. It was in the still small voice that the Lord manifested himself to Elijah, not in the hurricane, not the earthquake, not the fire.

And in the complicated affairs of life, social and political, in the stirring events, State and National, there is constant demand for aggressive and fearless advocacy of the principles of right and justice and fair dealing.

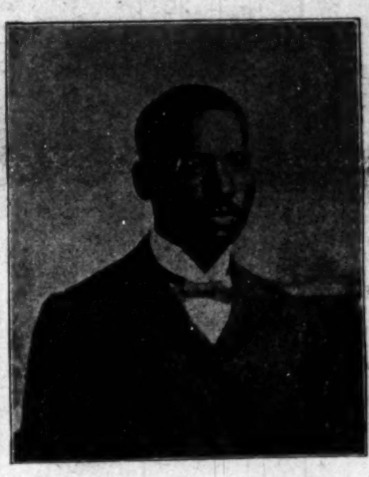
If we are true knights we can not be indifferent spectators of the contest between right and wrong in society and in the nation, not tamely submit to the evils that threaten our American civilization, but, like brave, united, determined men, must call a halt to the enemies of progress, while we signal down the line: "Remember the vows and pledges of Templarism."

Involved in this question of helpful influences proceeding from Masonry in general and Templarism in particular, is another phase of the subject, dear to the heart of everyone of us—the future of the Afro-American in the land of his birth.

Recall for a moment our past history. Consider the greatness of this republic, which proclaims to the world the gospel of freedom: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created free and equal and are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights—among which are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." Remembering our ancient motto, "Truth is powerful and it will prevail," also that we meet upon the level and part upon the square, what organization, outside the church itself, can prove such a lever in the intellectual and moral uplifting of our people as this one of Masonry? The opportunity is ours. Are we equal to the emergency?

As significant indications of the revolution in Masonic sentiment regarding the Negro, I take pleasure in calling your attention to the action of the Grand Lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Washington in June:

"For the first time in the history of Masonry in America, Negro lodges are recognized as legitimate and their members privileged to fraternize with white members of the order," and furthermore, let me quote from an article by Jacob Norton, esq., found in the July Trestle Board. Writing on colored Masonry he says: "Masonry deals not with races or religions, but with the characteristics of individuals. As long as a candidate believes in the universal and is a good man and true, a man of honor and honesty, let his religion be what it may, let him be descended from any race or kindred, he is, nevertheless, religion, the religion in which all agree, fully entitled to receive the treatment of an equal and brother."



Sir PERCY R. PETERS, Louisville, Ky

Sir CHAS. CHAVIS, Indianapolis, Ind.

These are indications of a new era and the problem which confronts the colored Masons of the United States is, "Shall we drift with the tide or, awakening to the importance of the situation, shall we meet it like valiant and sagacious men?"

Manifestly, one of the first features of our new policy must be greater discrimination in selecting the material that may enter Masonry. It is a law of physics, that the stream can not rise higher than its source. And it is true likewise that if the character or quality of the applicant be ignored and the simple idea of number or quantity be made the condition of admission, we shall never attain the aims of our order. "We accept good men and true, men of honor and honesty. No others need apply." This should be over the portals of every lodge, chapter and commandery of our jurisdiction.

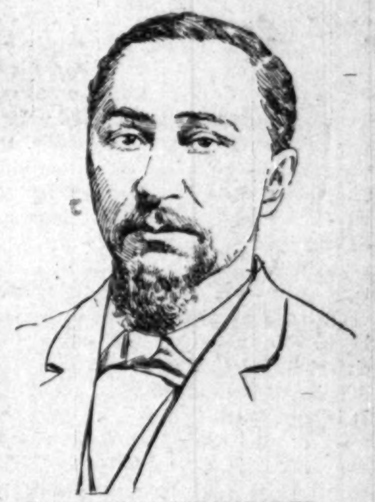
In order to secure the best results and keep step with the progress of events, we must insist upon fitness and faithfulness on the part of those who are invested with office. The man should dignify the office. In Masonry there should be a generous rivalry as to who can best serve and best agree, but cliques and combinations for the advancement of personal interests and private ambition have no rightful place in hearts or heads of Masons, and the outcome must be disastrous in the extreme. Securely guard these two strategic points—the quality of the material admitted and the fitness of those clothed with the responsibility of office—and the best we have hoped for Masonry and for the race can be realized.

The officers of the local commandery that entertained the Grand Commandery:

Sirs Thomas Adams, E. C.; Thomas Williams, Gen.; I. E. Jones, C. G.; J. H. Roberts, Prelate; James Wright, S. W.; R. W. Topp, J. W.; C. C. Powell, Treasurer; James Smith, Recorder; Woodruff, S. C. On arriving at his Daniel Wallace, S. B.; D. Ridley, Sd. B.; W. H. Brown, W.; John Brown, Sentinel.

The entertainment of the Grand Commandery devolved upon the fraters of Lincoln Commandery No. 8 and the good citizens of Ft. Wayne, and right royally did they dispense hospitality to their honored guests. Long before the time for the meeting of the Grand Conclave beautiful invitations had been issued and the program was carried out to the complete satisfaction of all.

Tuesday evening at 8:30 the Grand Commandery, escorted by Mt. Calvary and Lincoln Commanderies, marched to the church of which Rev. Simpson is pastor. The Grand Prelate, Sir A. J. Lee, conducted a short service in which the Sir Knights participated. The choir furnished excellent music. Rev. W. H. Brown thereupon delivered an excellent and appropriate address on "Perfect Manhood," and exhorted the Sir Knights to rise to the possibilities of their profession as Templars. Right Rev. B. W. Arnett, who was present in the city preparatory to holding conference, made a most happy and inspiriting talk which will long be cherished by the fraters.



Sir NAPOLEON BONAPARTE.

The reception extended by the fraters of Mt. Cavalry Commandery No. 9 Wednesday afternoon from 2 to 6, was an event, the pleasant memory of which will long remain with those who enjoyed their bounteous hospitality. The Grand Commandery visited the encampment in a body. The brilliant outfit of the knights, the tasteful and beautifully attired ladies and the gentlemanly bearing of the good citizens presented a delightful scene.

The fraters of this commandery enjoy the honor of being the only colored commandery in the United States that goes annually into encampment and their fame has spread far and wide. Among the fraters who made the pilgrimage this year are:

Sirs R. M. Murray, Samuel Buckner, Alfred Hedges, G. W. Staten, William Reed, John Willis, George Carter, Percy Peters, William Spradling, William A, Kenzer, George Garrett, John W. Hopkins, George 'Nugen and William Ridley.

Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock a grand concert was given at Kimball Hall by the Jubilee Singers, under Prof. W. H. Coleman. It was highly enjoyable, the music being varied and delightfully rendered and the audience testified its appreciation by frequent and hearty encores.

Thursday, August 25, grand Masonic picinc at Centhore's Grove—1:30 p. m.,

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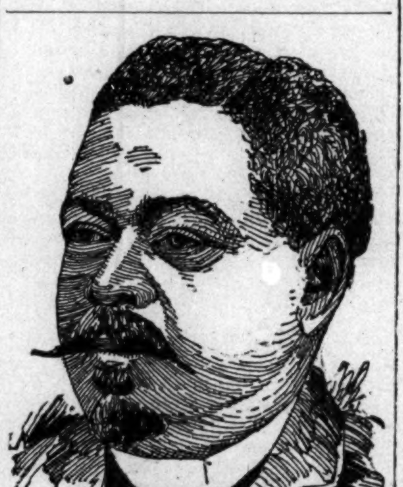
"COLORED AMERICAN DAY"

AN EXTRACT FROM THE ADDRESS DELIVERED AUGUST 19, 1888,

At the Omaha Exposition, by Hon. D. Augustus Straker—The Needs of the Negro—The Demands of an American Citizen.

"The assembling together of men of both races on this occasion is one fraught with great moment. It is not only the question of how shall our industrial progress be accelerated and accentuated by communion of thought and harmony of purpose, but also how our homogenity and brotherhood of man be more exemplified. The late Spanish-American war has shown to the civilized nations of the earth the unity of the American people. 'No North, no South, no East, no West, only a sovereign people declaring that human rights exceed all other rights, and that human wrong was the enemy of civilization the world over, and that no man, or nation should oppress a weaker class without meeting resistance from a stronger power. A new page of international rights has been written in the book of nations, in which is inscribed right and justice, and from which has been erased might and unjust oppression. At the close of our conflict with Spain in which we have established the right upon which the forefathers of our country laid the foundation of the independence of the republic, namely the right of all people to be governed by their consent; and laid down for the guidance of ages, the fundamental political maxim that. taxation without representation is unjust, we find ourselves upon the threshold of a new era of thought of civil-political government. We are to deal with an alien race of people. May we not then introspect ourselves and our present social condition. How shall this country maintain the glory which it has achieved in the war with Spain? Are there any pages to turn over, and be read again by us? We are a composite nation, having the peoples of well nigh all the world in our borders. Let us examine ourselves. There is a race in our midst, which though distinct, is American. From Bunker Hill to Appomatox it has been loyal to its country, and to the republic. Brave and courageous in war, faithful and true in peace. It has borne oppression with you of a dominant race, sharing your burdens, but not always receiving your benefits. I mean by this, the Afro-American race of people. I can not forbear to take this opportunity to call the attention of the American people through their representatives in this congress assembled, to the condition of the Negro in the United States. He has been deemed a problem. If so where is the solution? First, rather, what is the problem? He is deemed ignorant. This is comparatively true, and yet more than a million Negro children are in the schools of the South only, receiving an education by way of solving the Negro problem. Thousands of teachers, black and white, are guiding the ship of instruction, to the port of elevated moral citizenship. He is deemed thriftless, and yet on upwards of one hundred and fifty millions of value in real property. He is paying taxes in the land in which a little more than a quarter of a century he lived as a chattel and was bought and sold as a horse. He is deemed incapable of social, civil achievement, as seen in the industries of race. Is this just and true? It is true, but it is not just. We have achieved progress in industry, not such as equal that of our Anglo-Saxon brethren, but such as challenges the world in the light of unequal opportunity. As tradesmen we bring to our estate of freedom the galling knowledge obtained in slavery. Galling because we did not live by the sweat of our brow, but by compulsion to work for others, so that it is from the depths we have come that we should be justly measured. And what is our present height? We have not reached the manhood, but are struggling for that development amidst jealousies, envies and prejudice. We greatly need want of unity, confidence and race pride among ourselves. Time will not permit me to deal in detail in our social, educational and moral condition, but the republic is safe, although alarmists tell us of the stupendous ignorance of the Negro. What is it the Negro needs? I answer opportunity—equal opportunity, to secure the blessings of civilized life. He needs no more laws. He needs no special laws. He is an American citizen, and he only demans its protection, not as a disturber of the public peace, nor the dtstroyer of civil government, as others do, not as a black man, nor a colored man, an African, nor any other race, but as a man, a citizen of the republic, feeling that "insult to him is insult to an American citizen; dishonor to him is dishonor to the republic itself;" that he is entitled to enter all the avenues of industrial progress and moral elevation. It is an unequal contest between the strong and the weak. Magnanimity calls for justice. Hence amidst this numerous assembly of gallant, brave, courageous, intelligent, white and colored Americans, here where what is said will reach the eyes of the world's millions of reading pepole by the means of the telegraph and the phonograph, which speed man's words almost with the rapidity of thought, here at the close of the greatest national victory over a nation which has shown itself insensible to the rights of man, and who has lived upon cruelty to its fellowman, as the tiger upon its prey, shutting out all opportunity to equal advancement, and oppressing its colonies with unjust taxation, disregarding motherhood and orphanage and reviving its medenial customs of the inquisition, until a crushed people turned to our great nation for relief, and instantly American womanhood, that has done so much during the nineteenth century to reform the criminal, rescue the enebriate from the thraldom of social degradation and relieve poverty, went to the relief of the cry of the oppressed: here, I say, when the words of just praise still echo and re-echo of the bravery of our white patriots at Manila and Santiago, and the still greater bravery of the colored 24th infantry, and 10th cavalry, snatching the intrepid Teddy Roosevelt's Rough Riders from slaughter and defeat, and aiding in achieving a victory no less in renown than those of Poictiers, Runymede, Balaklava, Thermopyliae or Gettysburg, a bravery which challenges the world over, in troduced with the refrain, "Remember the Maine, boys!" of whom there were thirty bronzed ones who now lie in the waters of the deep sea; here, I say, the brethren of these noble colored troops who fought so valiantly for their country's honor, who never thought of their sons and daughters, mothers and fathers, left behind, who at any moment may meet the ruffian's rope and be hanged, or the tyrant's torch, and be burned for crimes charged against them without the constitutional privilege of an impartial trial by law; here, Oh, God of Mercy and Justice and Rertibution, in thy name, and the name of millions of people I plead for equal opportunity for my people. Shut no longer your doors of industry against them. Open your stores, your counting house, your printing establishments, your railroad employments, your stores of merchandise, and erect no longer a barrier between them and you. Entreat us not from following after thee, for whither thou goest we will go; thy people shall be our people, and thy God our God, and where thou diest we will die, and be buried; the Lord do so to us if aught but death part us." America is our home and our country. We will go up and down in its destiny. What more? And yet we find distinction and discrimination even in our endeavor to labor, and even those who sympathize with us, tell us they can not face and encounter the monster, race prejudice. Of what avail, then, that we shall be carpenters, bricklayers, painters, or other skilled artisans, if you will not employ us because of color? We give you where we labor an equivalent for our wages. What more? Let the future show that as in war, so in peace, we may live as one family of citizens, always ready to defend our home as a nation, its honor and glory, and share in its onward march, and receive as a right equal opportunity to advance in the industries of life. But the Negro race needs a race leader. All people in all ages have had a leader to guide them and instruct them. Those who formerly led, lead no more. Douglas has gone; so likewise has Langston, and Bruce. Who shall lead us now?



D. AUGUSTUS STRAKER.

Booker T. Washington is preparing the way admirably. The path is along the road of manual instruction. Our young men need learn how to labor with the hands as well as their heads. Industry lifts up the head, opens the eyes and makes man independent. The land should be the Negro's mecca. To it he must go for independence. The farmer rules the state. He makes the legislator, the lawyer, the grocer; without him, then, there is no life. Get land, young man, and you will afterwards get office. Get land and you will secure independence, which secures respect. You need not beg for opportunity to till the soil. The glory of the West, controlling the markets of the world, is due to the young man of the East, following Horace Greely's advice, "Go West, young man."

But let me ask when the Negro has become the skilled artisan where is the opportunity to exercise his knowledge. It lies in the American heart, which beats to the time of equal rights for all, with special privileges for none. Let us have equal opportunity, and then the flower of peace and plenty will grow at the door of the humble as well as the exalted, the black as well as the white, and our common country wil be a blessing to us all. We shall love her as children of a common parent."

Notes of Interest.

Meridian, Miss., Special.—Mrs. Lizzie Jackson died at her home on Fourteenth street Friday, the 26th ult. Mrs. Jackson was an honored member of the Ladies' Christian Aid Society, which organization turned out in a body. The funeral service was held at New Hope, of which church she was a member. * * Geo. Pickett has returned to New Orleans accompanied by his son, George. * * A. Baidy is beter; as also is Mrs. Lealer Ward. * * Mr. Frank Alston died Sunday morning, Aug. 28. He was about 35 years of age. * * Hon. J. C. Hill has been visiting at Kosciusko, Miss., the past week on business. * * Mr. W. M. Triplett, brother of Profs. E. H. and H. M. Triplett, has been visiting Meridian and Macon the past week. He will return to West Side soon. * * Prof. P. D Jones, who has been absent from the city some time, has returned. * * Rev. W. H. Jernagin and family left on the 25th of August for West Side, Miss., where they will reside. * * J. C. Payne is now in Jackson, Miss., doing carpenter work. * * Mr. O. R. Irby, of Belixia, has been visiting Meridian the past few days * * Rev. L. W. Watson made a short trip to Lauderdale last week on business. * * Rev. L. W. Watson preached at New Hope Baptist Church Sunday evening, Aug. 28. At 3:30 p. m. his subject was: "Church and Pastor." His text at 8 p. m. was: 9 Gen., 13 verse. His theme was: "A Robe on the Clouds." Good congregations were present at each service. * * The New Hope Baptist Sabbath School gave entertainments in the basement on the nights of Sept. 1st and 2d. Mr. Abraham Pickens and Miss Lulu Houze were married Thursday, the 25th, at Union Baptist Church. The church was beautifully decorated. Rev. Jordan officiated. Many friends were present and the couple received many useful presents. * * Mrs. Harriet Welch died after a long illness the 27th ult. Rev. T. A. Jones conducted the funeral services. * * Miss Annie Gibson has been in Kemper the past week teaching music. * * We learn that Mrs. Mary Rushing who has been in Kentucky for some time wil soon return to the city. * * Mr. W. W. Sumlin, who has spent one week visiting his brother Andrew at Chicago, returned home on Sunday, much pleased with his trip. * * Emmett Thomas is now with the Colored Drug Company. * * Rev. J. B. Small has been visiting our city the past week. He preached at Zion M. E. Church Wednesday night, Aug. 24th. * * The Mothers' meeting was held at the Congregational Church Sunday, Aug. 28th at 2 o'clock, led by Mrs. Lulu Ware. Subject: "A Father's Influence." * * Mrs. Eliza Perryman has been quite sick at her home on the South Side. * * Mesdames Annett Cotton and Hattie Clark went over to Vicksburg on Sunday, 28th, to visit friends for a few days.

An Unusual Opportunity.

The Phelps Hall Bible Training School, conducted in connection with the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute, Tuskegee, Alabama, offers unusual opportunities to young men wishing to meet the steadily growing demand for an educated colored ministry. The teaching here is wholly undenominational, the aim being to help all denominations and antagonize none. The faculty is composed of strong, competent men. In addition, Dr. Francis J. Grimke, Bishop Geo. W. Clinton, Bishop B. T. Tanner and Rev. C. O. Boothe deliver lectures during the year. The teaching in the Bible School is free. The cost of board, including furnished rooms, lights, fuel, washing, etc., is $8 per month, and students are given a chance to work out a portion of this, thus leaving as a rule, only $5 or $6 to be paid in cash. Young men who have no money with which to pay their expenses can be allowed to work out the whole amount in a way that will not interfere with their studies. For further information address

BOOKER T. WASHINGTON,
Principal, Tuskegee, Ala.

The colored troops fought nobly is the concensus of opinion.

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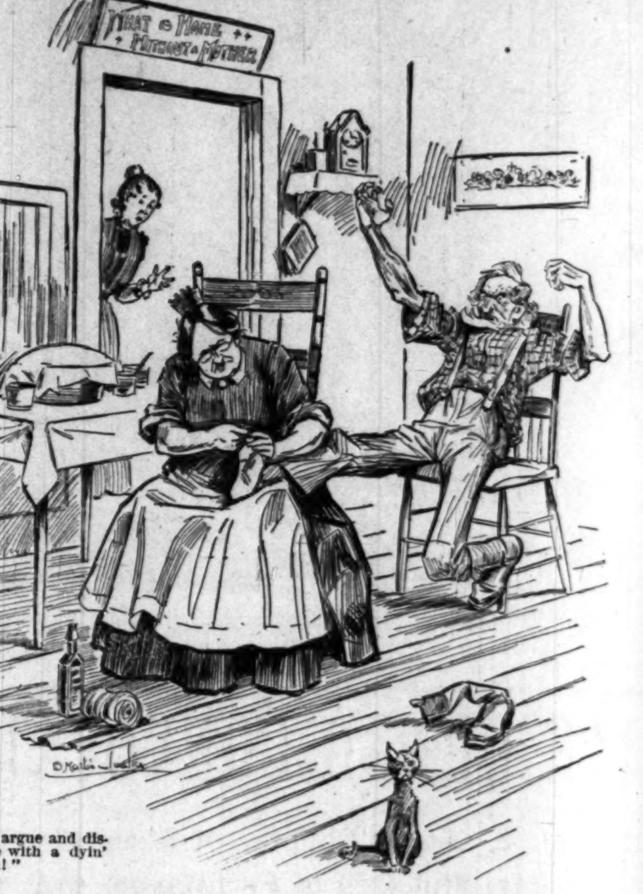

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Mr. John A. R. Lawrence, of Pittsburg, favors that city as convenient for the proposed Afro-American League meeting. He says that during the conclave held there in October rates for traveling will be very low. Pittsburg is fairly located and in view of general low rates this city might prove the most available, otherwise we have the pleasure of introducing Indianapolis as the banner convention city of the world, where discrimination is at a minimum and cordiality is at a premium.

Wilhelmina, who is to be crowned Queen of the Netherlands on September 6 next, has personally sent to Mr. Bok, the editor of the Ladies Home Journal—himself a Hollander by birth—one of her private portraits for publication in the next number of his magazine. It is the last portrait which will be taken of the little lady before her coronation, and will be printed in connection with a specially prepared sketch showing the personality of the first Queen of Holland from every point of view.

Shelbyville, Tenn., Special.—[illegible] * * Mrs. A. C. Myer's sister, of Chattanooga, is visiting her. * * A child of William Cowan's died and his baby is seriously ill. * * The paper read by Miss Scales at the District Conference was excellent. * * Miss Anna Thompson is ill. * * Get The Freeman at W. H. Gosling's store.

Washington, D. C., special.—The fifth general meeting and first tri-ennial session of the Grand Household of Ruth of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows in America has closed its sessions here. Almost every State in the Union was represented by a grand representative. The following grand officers were elected for the next three years:

P. M. W. G. Superintendent, Mrs. R. L. Barnes, Savannah, Ga.; M. W. G. Superintendent, J. W. Grant, Nashville, Tenn.; R. W. G. Superintendent, Mrs. Julia C. Collier, District of Columbia; R. W. G. Records, Charles H. Brooks, Paducah, Ky. LL.D.; R. W. G. Prelate, Mrs. Agnes Moody, Chicago; R. W. G. Treasurer, R. T. Forester, Richmond, Va.; R. W. G. Chamberlain, Mrs Elizabeth Wagner Cross, Williamsport, Va.; R. W. G. Shepherd, Mrs. Lucia B. Seay, Boston, Mass.

The next place of meeting is at Wilmington, N. C., August, 1901.

Chicago, Ill., Special.—The Little Pilgrim Lodge gave an entertainment at St. Stephens Church Sept. 1. * * Mr. Brown, sexton of the A. M. E. Church, has moved from Wood street to Carroll avenue. * * Mr. D. McDonald, assisted by A. Harris and others, is arranging to give a cantata. * * Rev. Pitt, of Tennessee, preached at Providence Baptist Church Sunday morning. * * Missess Blanche, Viola and Josephine Like visited their aunt Miss Porter, of Austin avenue. * * Mr. Allen, of Louisiana, is spending his vacation here with his family. * * Prof. Jackson, of Sidney, Australia, sang at the Providence Baptist Church Sunday evening. * * Little Viviean Jackson is ill. * * Mrs. Rock Wright of the South Side, spent Sunday with her cousin, Mrs. C. Johnson, of Austin avenue. * * Master Neal and brother, of Minneapolis, are visiting Master Roby and Asa Burrows here. * * Mrs. Porter, of Austin avenue, spent Sunday in the South Side.

Fort Smith, Ark., Special.—Mrs. John Johnson has returned from a visit to her daughter at Alton, Ill. * * Rev. Strong, of the M. E. Church, preached the funeral of James Love at the A. M. E. Church. * * Miss Josie Powell, of Dallas, Texas, atttended the funeral of Miss Sophone Ellis. * * Prof. E. O. Trent, who has been attending the carnival at Hot Springs, has returned and reports a good time. * * The unusual occurrence of two funerals in one day in our healthy city happened Saturday. Mr. James Love, age 54 years, after a brief illness of only four or five days, passing away. Mr. Love has been a resident of this city for several years. He died in full triumphs of faith. Miss Sophronie Ellis, who has ben sick for several months, died at 5 p. m. Saturday. Miss Ellis was born and reared in this city. She was an excelent young lady and a devoted Christian; at one time a teacher in the city public schools and an ardent Sunday school worker. Miss Ellis leaves father, mother, brothers and sisters and a host of friends to mourn her loss. Her funeral was largely attended. * * The Freeman can be had at 900 Tenth street, or from the carrier boys, Orville and Claude Jones.

INDIAN AND TIGER.

A Clever Trick by Which the Former Outwitted the Latter.

According to a good and true tiger story in Cornhill, an Indian who had learned some of the elementary principles of jugglery and contortion went out one evening to walk upon a ridgy plain. When he reached the top of one of the mounds, he saw a tiger ahead of him, 500 or 600 yards away. Before the man could hide behind a mound the tiger had seen him and began to bound toward him at its topmost speed.

Having no means of defense, there was nothing for the man to do but to race for the nearest tree, but though he tried it and put forth his utmost strength the tiger steadily gained upon him.

What was he to do? In sheer desperation he resolved upon an unusual scheme. Just as he disappeared for an instant from the tiger's sight in running over a ridge he halted, stretched out his legs at right angles, curled down his head so as to look between his legs to the rear and extended his arms upward in a fantastic manner, like the sails of a windmill.

In a few seconds the tiger hove in sight, and at that instant the face of the object assumed a hideous grimace. A prolonged yell arose, such as had perhaps never before pierced the ear of any tiger, and the sails of the windmill began to revolve backward and forward as if a sudden whirlwind had burst upon the scene.

The tiger recoiled. What, he evidently thought, is this? There stood a ferocious star shaped monster, gigantic against the sky. Its hideous head was situated in the very center of its body—nay, its viselike jaws, between which those fiendish roars were issuing, were actually placed above its two fiery eyes. Its limbs were furiously clamoring for action, and the man he had been chasing, where was he? Already devoured by this terrible beast? The tiger could not pause to reflect. He turned tail, and as he disappeared over a friendly ridge a last awful yell caused him to redouble his pace. He was conquered by the unknown.

THE POWER OF SHADOWS.

A Gloomy View of the Power of Certain Popular Superstitions.

As antique runners passed from hand to hand the sacred torch, so the generations transmit to the generations which succeed them all that they have of light and knowledge, leaving them as a heritage the care of continuing the divine work of enfranchisement and of helping to dissipate the shadows of ignorance.

Little by little these clouds are vanquished and disappear, and the touch of intelligence flames the more radiantly in the midst of the travailing masses.

But all of a sudden a veil covers the torch—something surges up which seems like the darkness of another age. One feels that in a corner of this civilization monstrous things have place. Here they burn a woman accused of sorcery; there in Suabia a tribunal condemns to four days of imprisonment a laborer who had disinterred the corpse of an infant. He wanted to make bracelets of its finger nails, which, according to a belief held in that country, constitute a sovereign remedy against colic.

And all the stories of vampires, of elfs, return to the mind with all the victims they have made and are making still.

It seems in reading such things that the "power of shadows" is still impenetrable to all that science has done and that, as I have said, the effort is vain.—Figaro.

On the Eating of Loons.

Man is a creature of prejudice. In Scotland he will not eat eels; in Connecticut he will not eat sturgeon, the royal fish of England, where the first one taken in the Thames goes to the queen's table; in New York he will not eat lampreys, miscalled "lamper eels," which are delicacies in Connecticut, and in England some old king—I never could keep a record of kings—died from a surfeit of lampreys. With these prejudices in mind, and I hate all prejudices except those which I entertain, I decided to eat the loon.

There may be differences among loons, as there are between pigeons and squabs. I prefer an adult pigeon to a squab, there is better chewing on it, but if a man wants real hard chewing, with a flavor of raw fish, let him tackle an adult loon. That bird could not be picked. It was skinned, and in its stomach there was a catfish recently swallowed, one partly digested and the bones of another. The triggers of the pectoral fins of the caffish were set, but the stomach of the loon did not seem to be troubled by that fact.—Fred Mather in Forest and Stream.

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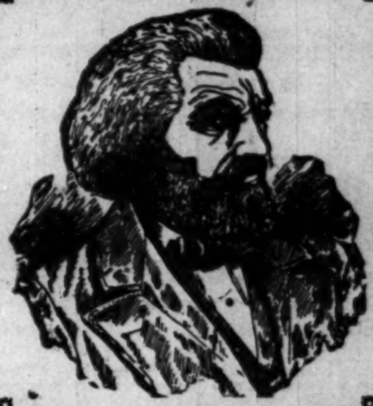

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SATURDAY, September 10

DISARMAMENT?

Ruskin, the famous English scholar, author and philanthropist, thundered invectives against the modern idea of armed intervention in the adjudication of the differences arising between nations, rather than submitting such differences to a tribunal of arbitration. He contended that the practice of war was barbarism, which idea has been supplemented by an expression, said to have fallen from the lips of the late General Sherman, declaring that war was hell. However, Ruskin was considered radical, or at least crochety, in his views and the great author's very wise admonitions served only as so much literary contributions to humanitarian societies. But now the Czar of all the Russias has spoken and the eager world is on the tiptoe of expectation as to whether it all tends or portends. He rails against the armament of nations as perversive of financial prosperity in that capital is diverted from its proper channel in the mad race for superiority in armament that continues but for a day—to be rendered non-effective by the inventions of tomorrow. While financial considerations are the burden of his lay, yet, in the language of Ruskin, arbitration is the coming method of settling national disputes, which is in the interest of humanity, further and aside from the Czar's main contentions of financial interests. Humanity is to be served and Ruskin may well be considered the high priest in that scarcely less than divine calling. It is but a cold, artificial civilization and selfish to the core that bemoans the fate of its own dead and dying and at the same time exults over the sad fate of the dead and dying enemy. It is last, the greatest and most glaring inconsistency of civilization which abhors death, yet deals it out with impunity, retreating behind governmental sanction as a license or for immunity from censure. It can not be seen that such sanction renders the calling of war always justifiable, for it may be justly held that error lies on one side of the contention and these that so err are murderers—assassins. It is strange that in the face of advancing civilization that the cry of a foremost warrior is first to be heeded; crying that the olive branch of peace be extended when the humble but wise have ever contended for the settling of disputes by peaceable means. It perhaps will not matter who agitates this principle for which the majority of mankind stands athirst, it will be welcomed with all the fervor of a newly found religion—the gospel of peace. Our own country, despite its magnificent victories on land and sea, will hail the Czar's encyclical as a happy omen, for this last war wears a frightful mien that defies gloss and veneer. The ravages made on the youth of the country by the terrible invasion of the insinuous enemy, fever, has caused far more havoc than Spanish bullets, and this has served to dim the luster of the brilliant campaigns that have placed the country on high ground fro ma military standpoint.

The Czar, as has already been mooted by English papers, may be making a brilliant coup-de-tat in defense of a territory far too expansive to maintain intact. Be that as it may, Christianity and humanitarianism are intensely aroused and interested in the agitation of a question through him that the church, the Pope, the princely Bishops of England or the whole world, for that matter, could not, or would not, bring to the surface. We conclude with Ruskin, that no matter how fratricidal the world may be war is an ancient and barbarous practice, and that arbitration is the legitimate and logical successor and the only thing that can answer as an apeasement to the consciences of all men.

The people of the quiet and demure old city of Indianapolis, perhaps, do not know that said town has become famous within the last few days, all of which is due to the suit instituted by a colored woman for damages because one John Graham, white, it is charged, kissed her.

"A man out in Indianapolis, by the name of John Graham has had suit brought against him for $5,000 for hugging and kissing his colored cook.—The Afro-American, Bath, Me.

The Morning Herald, in a humorous criticism of the same, among other things says:

"The habit of kissing anybody's cook is bad enough any way it is looked at * * * The kissing of a colored cook is especially to be questioned as violation of god taste at least in this section of the country."

The Afro-American, speaking again, says: "And while it may be true as the Herald says, that kissing a colored cook is questionable, especially in this section of the country, it is much more frequently done than appears on the surface. In fact, there are many colored cooks hereabout that have considerable trouble to kee pout of the way of this kissing business, not only by the lords of the house, but by the males that may live therein. In fact, in view of the hullabaloo that is usually kicked up in this part of the country when a colored man and a white woman are caught indulging in osculatory performances, we should much rather that the kissing of colored cooks, and not only colored cooks but colored women as well, were left alone."

The Herald further says: "We have no hesitation in saying, however, that if Mr. Graham really did kiss and hug his colored cook, as averred, alleged, affirmed, particularly asservated, described and set forth at the time and place and under the circumstances, and in the manner presented in plaintiff's petition, he ought to be made to pay the $5,000 whether the same is worth it or not.

"Possibly kissing and hugging ought not to come high in Indiana, but in the case of the head of the family, who selects his colored cook as the object of his osculatory attentions the damages collectable should not only be actual but vindictatory punitive and exemplary."

It is thus patent that the osculatory propensities and predelictions of this individual have brought him dubious fame and distinguishment, and at the same time thrown the staid old town into a state of intense excitement and consequential moral turpitude. Members of the craft please pass it on.

It is said that Democrats in the district represented by Congressman White, of North Carolina, are trying to fuse with the Populists in order to beat him for Congress. However, the district is overwhelmingly Republican, and the chances are that he will succeed himself.

Get the children in school at the earliest possible age, so that they may be educated beyond the dead line before they become too aged or else they will go to the dogs.

Jimcrowism is installed in South Carolina this month. Mr. Tillman is in high glee.

Hon. Judson W. Lyons, the Registrar of the Treasury, on going into one of his departments one morning, found about a dozen Negroe clerks huddled together in a corner at one table. He called the chief up and wanted to know what that meant? The chief told him it just happened that way. He told the chief to "unhappen" it by scattering them.—The Atlanta Age.

Mr. Pledger, do you mean to insinuate that the distinguished junta of "cullud gemmen" were there for the express purpose of manipulating "de bones."

It is not always the fellow who draws the largest salary who is the greatest man.—Lexington Standard.

Not by a——, well, long sight will do.

The first monument erected to the memory of the late lamented Frederick Douglass will be unveiled at Rochester, N. Y., Wednesday, Sept. 14th, 1898. This will be a most notable event, owing to the man whose memory is to be further perpetuated, and to the endeavors that have been put forth by the management to make it a success. The monument committee is as follows: John W. Thompson, R. Jerome Jeffrey, Geo. A. Benton, H. S. Greenleaf, Chas. S. Baker, H. A. Spencer, R. L. Kent, Benj. F. Cleggett, T. H. Barnes, E. R. Spaulding, Bishop A. Walters, Rev. Jas. E. Mason, B. N. Simms, Thos. E. Platner, T. Thomas Fortune, T. Cunningham, and C. J. Vincent. Many prominent citizens will take active part in the program. Among them are:

Hon. Frank S. Black, Governor of New York; Miss Susan B. Anthony, P. B. S. Pinchback, T. Thomas Fortune, a poem; Chas. P. Lee, presentation address; Hon. Geo. E. Warner, Mayor of Rochester; Joseph Douglass, violin solo; Hons. Geo. Raines, J. C. Dancy, Mrs. B. T. Washington, Bishop Alexander Walters, and Madam Sisseretta Jones. Gertrude A. Thompson will unveil the monument.

Some of our exchanges credit what they reproduce from other papers by the unexplicable term "Ex.' Why not give frankly the name of the paper from which you make the clipping?—The Florida Sentinel.

The reason is obvious enough. The paper is often lost in the shuffle.

MY COUNTRY 'TIS OF THEE.

My country, 'tis of thee,
Dear land of Africa,
Of thee we sing:
Land where our fathers died,
Land of the Negro's pride,
From every mountain side
God's truth shall ring.

My native country, thee,
Land of the black and free,
Thy name I love;
To see thy rocks and rills,
Thy woods and matchless hills,
My heart with rapture thrills,
Like that above.

When all thy slanderous ghouls,
In the bosom of Sheol
Forgotten lie,
Thy monumental name shall live,
And suns they royal brow shall gild,
Upheaved to heaven high,
O'er toppling thrones.

—Bishop Turner in the Voice of Missions.

Opinions of the Press.

The Negro as a politician will be a failure so long as he follows the windy route instead of the plain road of brain and manhood.—Paul Quinn Weeklyy

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Don't make the mistake of waiting for some other man to toot your horn for you. If you have ability make it known.—The American, Coffeyville, Kan.

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Some people are ready to ostracise and boycott a man when he speaks for his rights. Look out some one will hear from us when our time comes.—Metropolis (Ill.) Gazette.

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The Republicans of Texas are anxiously desiring to know what they shall do this fall: support the Populist, support the Democratic ticket, or stay at home and wait for the National Committeeman scramble in 1900?—The Van, Houston, Texas.

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You who claim so much race love, race pride, and race instinct, should throw your shoulders to the wheel and push with all your might the race enterprises. Either do this or give us less of your gab. It takes money to carry on any ordinary enterprise.—The Texas Cyclone.

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The editor of the American Baptist, at Louisville, Ky., is alarmed at the City Railway Company for putting on "jim crow cars" upon certain of their lines in order to discriminate against the Negro, but if he was in Clarendon, Ark., he would at times be glad to have a hundred "jim crow cars" between him and his white brother.—The Crystal, Hot Springs, Ark.

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The Western Negro Press Association held last week and is now a thing of the past. Its session was rather interesting and will we hope be productive of much good. Of course the good results are to come later, though the superior skill and training in parliamentary tactics of the President, Mr. Hackley. Business was pushed along and we hope that the present incumbent will be equally as good. From a social feature the meeting was a success, because it is a source of pleasure to meet and talk with race men and leaders.—Iowa Bystander.

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The colored Republicans of Texas are clamoring for another Wright Cuney. They had beter have considered their need of him while living, and perhaps he would now be leading them to victory instead of buried with a broken heart. Poor Cuney met the fate that every colored man who has battled unselfishly for his people in this country has met—base ingratitude and the desertion of his supposed friends in the hour of need. They don't grow two men like Cuney in the same state in one generation. The boys must wait several years before they see his like again.—Odd Fellows' Journal.

18TH GRAND CONVOCATION.

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baseball game, Fort Wayne vs. Logansport; 4 p. m., grand prize drill.

Thursday marked the close of the Grand Commandery session, after a meeting of uninterrupted harmony and the conclusion of the magnificent series of entertainments so successfully carried out.

The procession was an imposing one. Headed by a fine band the principal streets of the city were traversed, the M. E. Grand Commandery under Sir J. T. Gilliard as Grand Captain General; Mt. Calvary being under Captain George Garrett. After the parade all spent a pleasant day at the grove. The two features of special interest were the baseball game and a fine exhibition drill by Mt. Calvary. The crowning event of the series of entertainments was the banquet. No pains had been spared to make this an event long to be remembered, and it was such—creditable for the taste and arrangement of the display and memorable for the charming ladies and the gallant beaux that graced the occasion. Th table was arranged in the form of the Latin cross and was covered with everything that might please the taste and tempt the palate. An excellent orchestra discoursed sweet music. A grand march preceded the feast, led by Sir W. H. Nettles and Mrs. Smith, of Ft. Wayne. Sir A. E. Meyzeek acted as toastmaster and introduced the M. E. Grand Commander, Sir M. T. Clay, who spoke eloquently on the "Grand Commandery;" Sir Wm. H. Perry, P. M. E. G. C., spoke gracefully of "The Templar as an Ideal Warrior, Lover and Husband." Sir W. O. Pettiford responded effectively as Deputy Grand Commander. Sir George Carter, of Louisville, made the opening address: "Truth is the Strength, Power, Wisdom and Majesty of all Ages." He is a pleasing speaker and his remarks were highly appreciated. Response, Sir Percy R. Peters, Louisville, "We have passed the middle of the stream and to return seems greater than to venture o'er." His address showed careful preparation and was well delivered. "Knighthood," Sir Wm. H. Bullitt—"Blessed are they that have not seen and yet have believed." Sir Bullitt handled his subject in an able manner and made a happy speech. Sir C. Chavis followed with a fine tribute to "The Ladies," which was heartily applauded. "Wisdom," by Sir W. A. Kenzer, and an address by G. W. Brown, esq., closed a delightful evening.

The Grand Commandery of Illinois and Iowa extended an invitation to the Grand Commandery of Kentucky and Indiana to be her guest in August, 1899, at Chicago. The invitation was accepted unanimously and the cry now is "On to Chicago."

The officers for 1898-1899 are as follows:

Sirs M. T. Clay, Lexington, Ky., M. E. Grand Commander; W. O. Pettiford, Marion, Ind., R. E. Deputy Grand Commander; John Willis, Louisville, Ky., V. E. Grand Generalissimo; A. B. Jones, Maysville, Ky., V. E. Grand Captain General; A. J. Lee, Louisville, Ky., V. E. Grand Prelate; S. M. Raines, Ft. Wayne, Ind., V. E. Grand Senior Warden; Percy R. Peters, Louisville, Ky., V. E. Grand Junior Warden; George Sutton, Louisville, Ky., V. E. Grand Treasurer; Wm. H. Bullitt, Louisville, Ky., V. E. Grand Recorder; N. N. Newman, V. E. Grand Lecturer.

SIR PERRY'S TOAST:

Mr. Toastmaster, Ladies and Sirs—There are many conditions, modes and circumstances in which one passes the middle of the stream with greater fears to return than to venture o'er; some have passed the middle of age, the history of whose former life has been woven into a tangled web, who, when looking back over such a life, not only sudder with fear, but falls before the Deity and implores His mercy for bringing him out of such a life of meandering and ask His support to guide him over safely; some have passed the middle of the stream of anxiety, mistrust and scruples; things hoped for have been fully realized; that which they mistrust has become a pleasing medium of confidence; the eyes of those with scruples have been opened, beholding the glories and beauties of creation as heaven intended they should see it. Some have passed the middle of the stream of love, the art having been cultivated so as to be most applicable to objects of truth and purity, as well as beauty and favoritism; it having reached that height where it can distinguish good from evil, where it accepts that which is true and good and rejects that which is false and evil; it having been fostered up to that plane where not only the noble and sweet virtues are admired in the daughters of Eve, but also admire those grand and noble traits seen in the characters of men. Having passed to these high traits of character with the smile of Heaven upon them, one sees no charms in his past life of adversity, trials and gloom to induce him to return, but with hope and sweet confidence in Him who created him, perseveres in the grand and noble cause to the end.

The man of wisdom is the man of years. The right use or exercise of knowledge, the choice of laudable ends and the best means to accomplish them. This is wisdom in act, effect or practice. Wisdom is the exercise of sound judgment either in avoiding evils or attempting good. In its true sense wisdom is true religion, godliness, piety, the knowledge and fear of God, sincere and uniform obedience to His commands. Wisdom dwells in contemplation. There you must seek her. He, then, who is wise thinks wise, speaks wise, acts wise and lives wise. Solomon says: "We must not forget the law, that we must incline out hearts to keep the commandments of the Lord. For length of days and long life and peace shall they add to thee." Sir Knights, ladies and gentlemen, the institution with which we are associated is founded upon wise and stable laws. God, the wise and good, will guide us to all truth. He will direct our paths to the temple of happiness and point out to us the whole duty of man. By His wisdom the contemplated mind is inspired to soar aloft, read the wisdom, strength and beauty of His wonderful creation By it we learn of the heavenly bodies, their situation, and comprehend the laws by which their motion is directed. By it we are admonished to keep inviolate the laws of health, whereby a man of wisdom becomes a man of years.

SKETCHES.

Sir M. T. Clay, the present M. E. Grand Commander, is a leading citizen of Lexington, Ky., and is prominent in Masonic circles. Hale, hearty and jovial, a good companion, firm friend, he is a typical knight. For several years he was Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery and has filled all the stations to which he has been elected with credit and faithfulness.

Sir S. D. Martin, P. M. E. Grand Commander and chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence, is one of the most experienced and valuable members of the fraternity. He is a thirty-two degree Mason and his presence at the grand sessions is always a surety of good work.

Sir N. N. Newman, Past Grand High Priest, is a thorough gentleman and a true Mason, whom to know is to respect. On all committees his work is sure and faithful. As Grand High Priest the jurisdiction prospered. On the committee on grand officers' address and on the special committees of the Grand Commandery, his counsel was invaluable.

M. E. Companion I. W. Coleman has served long and faithfully in the Grand Chapter and in the Grand Commandery. His elevation to the position of Grand High Priest is a fitting compliment. His work on committees in the chapter and commandery was excellent.

Sir Napoleon Bonaparte, of Louisville, Ky., is a prominent Mason and a charter member of Keystone Lodge No. 3; also its first treasurer. He organized Unity Lodge of Masons in 1880 and elected its first master and served four consecutive years; was a charter member of Enterprise Chapter, elected and served two years as High Priest and was selected as first treasurer of Cyrene Commandery, Knights Templar, and served two years as Eminent Commander. He was a member of the Council of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter for several years and elected Deputy Grand High Priest. Full of race pride, his word is always, "Young men to the front." He is truly one of the pioneers of Masonry.

Sir A. E. Meyzeek is the Eminent Commander of Cyrene Commandery No. 1, K. T. His introduction to Masonry occurred in Terre Haute, Ind. He is one of the charter members of Prince Hall Lodge. Prof. S. W. Stuart was the first master and Sir Meyzeek the first senior warden.

After entering the Louisville schools he secured his demit and has since been an active and able worker in the Masonic fraternity in Kentucky. In the Grand Lodge he has acted as District Grand Master and has served on important committees quite acceptably. In the Grand Commandery his work on the special committee on "Condition of the Grand Commandery," in co-operation with Sirs Newman and Clay, was most commendable. In the professional field as an educator he has made an excellent record and we justly expect of him great things for the race and for Masonry. He is now chairman of the important committee of foreign correspondence.

Sir C. Chavis, well known in Indianapolis society, is a young man of excellent parts. For several years he was engaged in teaching, but afterward turned his attention to medicine and was the first of his race to graduate in pharmacy and operate a drug store in the State. He is Generalissimo in Zrubbabel Commandery, and as chairman of the committee on condolence and member of committee on grand officers' address and has done valuable work in the Grand Commandery. His future is bright in Masonry.

Sir W. H. Bullitt, of Cyrene Commandery No. 1, Louisville, was born April 12, 1847, is Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery, to which position he has been re-elected. He is a strong Mason, useful in all departments, a genial companion, and responded to the toast "Knighthood" at the Fort Wayne banquet. He is the second oldest Past Commander in the jurisdiction, has served all the stations in the commandery, being three times E. C. of Cyrene No. 1, Kentucky, Served two and one-half years in the United States army and is now in his fifty-second year. He is now serving his third term as G. Rec., having been the first G. Rec.

Sir W. H. Perry, of Louisville, Ky., P. M. E. Grand Commander, has the proud distinction of being principal of the largest colored public school in the world. He has filled the position of M. E. G. Commander for two years, has been Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter for seven years. He is a thirty-third degree Mason and Sovereign Grand Inspector General of the Valley of Kentucky. His oration on "Knighthood Among the Colorede Race," at the Grand session, 1896, created much favorable comment.

Mr. Pettitord is honored with the proud distinction of being the only colorded policeman of Marion, Ind. This position he has held for four years, with credit to himself and race. He is one of our promising strong Sir Knights of this Jurisdiction.

Percy R. Peters was born January 1, 1866, at Columbia, Miss. He attended the public schools of the state and after acquiring all that could be obtained in such schools he taught three years in the public schools of the state. He came to Louisville, Ky., in 1885, joined Parham Lodge, No. 38, F. A. A. M., in 1890, and became a Templar in 1892; was elected Eminent Commander of Mt. Calvary Commandery, No. 9, K. T. of Louisville, Ky., 1897, which position he now holds, and at the last Grand Conclave of Grand Comandery of Kentucky and Indiana, held at Ft. Wayne, Ind., was elected Very Eminent Grand Junior Warden by acclamation. Sir P. R. Peters is a great admirer of the Masonic fraternity, and a zealous advocate of its principles. We expect to hear from him higher up in the future."

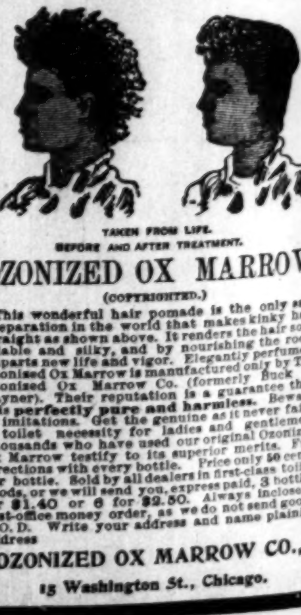
NEW ALBANY YOUNG MEN

Entertain Royally in Honor of the Misses Jennie and Mamie Combs, of St. Paul, Minn., and Miss Millie E. Gibson, of Nashville, Tenn.

New Albany, Ind., Special.—New Albany young men entertain royally in honor of the Misses Jennie and Mamie Combs, St. Paul, Minn.; Millie E. Gibson, of Nashville Tenn. One of the most successful social gatherings that has ever been held among the young people during the history of New Albany colored citizens was given Thursday evening, Sept. 1st, 1898, by the young society men of the city. Prior to the above date numerous invitations reading as follows had been issued to the young ladies: "Thursday, Sept. 1, 1898. You are invitetd by the young men of New Albany to be a passenger on a trolley excursion. 7:30 to 11:00 p. m." The trolley excursion lawn fete given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. Morgan, East Dewey street, in honor of the Missess Jennie and Mamie Combs, and Millie Gibson. 9:00 to 11:00 p. m. The trolley excursion given on this occasion was the first that had ever been participated in by the colored citizens and indeed, we must attribute this honor to Mr. Samuel Ratlifie, who was so successful as to secure a chartered excursion car for the occasion. Never before was a more beautiful array of young people gathered together. The costumes of the ladies were elaborate. Each seemingly striving to outclass the other in her appearance. White was the favorite color. The young men were arrayed in black, with white vests, and stood while the ladies occupied the seats. After traversing the principal streets of interest, the merry assembly alighted at Thirteenth and Main streets, and proceeded to Mr. John Morgan's residence, where the remainder of the night was spent in a most enjoyable manner. Here the guests were received by the little Misses Mamie and Gertrude Morgan, who afterwards served punch, much to the delight of all. Various amusements were indulged in, and several selections were rendered by the Kremer Quartet, composed of Messrs. Samuel Mucker, Maurice McPheeters, John McPheeters and Richard Campbell. At a late hour refreshments were served by the committee, who labored so earnestly to make this event a success, namely, Richard Campbell, Maurice Blackburn, George Williams, Jas. Calhoun, Ed. Hawes, Samuel Ratliffe. The special guests of the evening were the Misses Jennie and Mamie Combs, of St. Paul, Minn., who are the guests of their aunt, Mrs. Hawkins, North Second street, Miss Millie E. Gibson, of Nashville, Tenn., who has been the guest of Miss Lyda Mitchem, 242 Cherry street; Mrs. Dr. Fowler, Louisville, Ky., Mrs. Weir, Chicago, Ill. Others present were the Misses Anna Berry, Mollie Bush, Maggie Carter, Sarah Emery, Anna Graham, Pearl Grundy, Nannie Grundy, Mrs. J. Hawes, Sallie Hummer, Hattie Johnson, Mabel McPheeters, Tilla McPheeters, Anna Mosby, Lucy Mitchem, Tilla Mitchem, Lyda Mitchem, Mamie Mucker, Alberta Robinson, of Louisville; Mamie Richardson, Carrie and Laura Robinson, of Louisville; Sophia Rickman, Blanche Rickman, Nannie Stith, Blanche Sterrett, Daisy Welch, Mattie Wrightson, of Louisville; Messrs. Bertie Alexander, Maurice Blackburn, Henry Bain, of Louisville; Charles Banks, Richard Campbell, Jas. Calhoun, Leslie Conley, Scott Dyson, Albert Ferguson, Harvey Greenly, Ed Hawes, Walter Keller, Eugene Keller, Emmett Kiger, of Louisville; Cary Louis, of Louisville; Ed Laforce, Ed Mattingly, John McPheeters, Samuel Mucker, Maurice McPheeters, Charley Mitchem, Samuel Ratliffe, Dr. M. W. Sparks, Emmett Walker, Henry Williams, Geo. Williams. The residence of Mr. and Mrs. Morgan is located on Dewey street above Thirteenth, in a neighborhood of rich and respected white citizens. The house consists of nine comodious rooms, which were tastefully decorated and brightly illumed for the occasion. The yard, a very large one, was bedecked with numerous Chinese lanterns. Mr. Morgan is one of our influential citizens, a trustee of Bethel A. M. E. Church, and an employe of the glass works, which institution he has been identified with for several years.

U. B. of F. Lecturer Dead.

Evansville, Ind., special.—Several days ago the sister of Douglas Morton, colored, of this city, was killed in a railroad wreck in Pennsylvania. Morton heard the news and became a raving maniac. He died Sunday night in that condition. Morton was grand lecturer for the United Brothers of Friendship and one of the most prominent Negroes in the State.



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ROUTE.

Boyer's Oriental Octoroons—Appleton, Wis., Sept. 12.

Black Patti Troubadours—Montreal, Canada, Sept. 11-17; Kingston, 'N. Y., 19.

John W. Vogel's Mastodon Afro-American Minstrels—Pomeroy, O., Sept. 9; Maretta, 10.

Oliver Scott Refined Negro Minstlers—Hastings, 'Nebr., Sept. 9; Lincoln, 10; Beatrice, 12; Holton, 13.

Richards, Pringle, Rusco and Holland's Big Minstrels—Paris, Tex., Sept. 10; Sherman, 12; Denison, 13; Greenville, 14; Dallas, 15; Ft. Worth, 16; Cleburne, 17.

"South Before the War"—La Prairie, Man., Sept. 9; Brandon, 10.

Williams and Walker's Company—Boston, Mass., Sept. 5-10.

The Stewarts are making it good with the Nashville Students.

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Sidney Perrin is stage manager with Isham's Octoroons this season.

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Mr. and Mrs. Billy McClain are meeting with unbounded success in the East.

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Jones and Sutton were at the Lincoln Park Theater, Fall River, Mass., last week.

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"Trip to Coontown." Big business at Jacob's Theater, Newark, N. J., this week.

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H. Augustus Hall is our special representative with the Black Patti Troubadours.

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The Black Patti Troubadours appear in Indianapolis during the month of November.

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Florence Hines, male impersonator, is with the Big Afro-American Specialty Company.

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Doc Sayles, the Goliath of jubilee shouters, is with John W. Vogel's Mastodon Minstrels.

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Johnson and Dean were headliners on the bill at the Ferris Wheel Park, Chicago, last week.

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Clarence C. Powell cancelled his contract with the L. M. Boyer "Oriental Octoroon" company.

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Mr. S. N. Edmonds will represent The Freeman with John W. Isham's "Octoroons" this season.

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Sam Lucas heads the bill vaudeville bill at the Lincoln Park Theater, Fall River, Mass., this week.

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Harry Hart, comedian, with Oliver Scott's Colored Minstrels, is scoring a big hit in the first part in his great talking act.

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Messrs. Oscar Paul and Charles Williams have closed with the Cleveland-Wilson Minstrels, and are in Washington, D. C.

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The "Old Plantation Trio"—Martinett, Roddy and Wallace—are making big hits with the Big Afro-American Specialty Company.

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Tolliver and Temple, singing and dancing comedians, are making big hits with the L. M. Boyer "Oriental Octoroon" comic opera company.

John Rucker, the monarch of all colored old man impersonators, has joined "Darkest America," and is again meeting with great success.

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Under the direction of Anthony Byrd the Troubadour Sextette, with the Black Patti Troubadours, are still a puzzle to up-to-date music lovers.

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John W. Isham's "Octoroons" opened the Bon Ton Theater, Jersey City, last Monday, and have been playing to excellent business during the week.

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James White, comedian with Oliver Scott's Refined Colored Minstrels, is still making the audiences roar with laughter by the rendition of his funny songs.

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Lorenzo Tio, clarionetist, of the Oliver Scott's Colored Minstrels, is astonishing his hearers with the clarionet solos which he renders at each evening concert.

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"Dixie," the new medley arranged by J. Ed Green, for the Georgia Sextette, with Richards, Pringle, Rusco and Holand's Minstrels, is a big applause winner.

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Miss Henrietta Frisby, of Albany, and Miss Edmonia Butler, of Baltimore, recent acquisitions to the Black Patti Troubadours, are classic sopranos of no little note.

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John A. Milton, of the Shattuck Quartette, with the "South Before the War" company, sends best regards to all of his Chicago friends—professionals and non-professionals.

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Miss Nettie Paul, the gifted baritone songstress, is meeting with much success in New York. She is with the "Origin of the Cake Walk" opera at the Casino Roof Garden.

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S. N. Edmonds sends regards to members of "Darkest America." He has just written and dedicated a new song to that organization entitled "Dere's a Nigger Dat I'm Gwine Ter Bombard."

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The members of the Northwestern Club, of the Oliver Scott Colored Minstrels, are all smiles, as they just received another consignment from Duluth while they were playing Sioux City.

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Miss Mattie Phillips, of the Black Patti Troubadours, has won herself a place in the olio, and is filling it with the ease of an old professional. She nightly brings the house down with her "coon" songs.

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The band of the Oliver Scott Colored Minstrels contains the following soloists: Joe Dobbins, cornet; Lorenzo Tio, clarionet; Joe Ricks, piccolo; Allie Brown, saxaphone; Fred W. Simpson, trombone.

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Richard Conner is making a big hit as a ballad singer with Isham's Octoroons this season. He is featuring "One Touch of Nature Makes the Whole World Kin," and receives encores at each performance.

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The street parade with "Darkest America" is a feature. The wardrobe is all new and of the best. Prof. Henderson Smith and his famous concert band are scoring the same success as last season, which made them the best musical organization traveling.

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Rastus and Banks (the original Rastus of Symonds and Rastus) are meeting with tremendous success with Isham's Octoroons this season. As an acrobatic song and dance and all round knock-about sketch team this team has no equal and are the source of much comment throughout the East.

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The Garden City Sextette with "Darkest America" this season, is one of the many big hits with that organization. They are receiving many encores nightly, and are composed of the following well known vocalists: C. D. Brooks, Frank Prescott, Geo. Day, Charles Tyler, H. La She and Jas. Gibson.

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Miss Nettie Goff, America's only colored lady slide trombone soloist, is a feature in the famous Henderson Smith $5,000 concert band, with John W. Vogel's Mastodon Minstrels and Historical "Darkest America." Miss Goff is winning much applause daily in the concerts, playing the most difficult solos.

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Marsh Craig, the world's greatest contortionist, of Scott's Colored Minstrels, has strengthened his act by adding a routine of flips as a closing feat. He only turns 23, and they are actually so fast that one cann ot distinguish his head from his feet. He certainly deserves the title as the world's greatest contortionist.

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S. N. Edmonds new songs, "That Will Bring You Back" and "There Are Others Who Don't Think that Way," are being featured by Miss Marie Dressler and are tremendous hits through the East. Send for professional copies. Published by M. Witmark & Sons, 8 West Twenty-ninth street, New York, N. Y.

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Quite a few of the boys of the Oliver Scott's Minstrels made a trip to the Omaha Exposition Sunday, the 4th, and they expressed themselves as highly pleased with the sights seen at the exposition. While there they met and were entertained by Prof. P. G. Lowry, the celebrated cornetist, who is playing there.

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The real author of "A Hot Time in the Old Town To-night" is, according to a dispatch form Denver, an old Negro woman named Amanda Green, who sang it for years until it was picked up by a traveling actor, who got the tune and fixed the words to suit himself, retaining, however, teh title and the main idea.

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The vocal choir with the famous "Georgias" is stronger this season than ever. The list includes Wm. Dixon, "Two Sweethearts of Mine;" H. S. Wooten, "Why Don't You Write a Letter Home;" F. N. Smith, "Did You Ever Play Boo With Your Boy;" Paul C. Floyd, "She Is So Much Like Her Mother;" J. A. Watts, "Little Woolen Stockings Baby Wore;" J. Ed Green, "There's a Vacant Chair in Some One's Home," and A. J. Smith, "Let All Obey."

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Wiliams and Walker's Senegambian carnival and original cake walk production, opened their engagement in Boston, Sept. 5 for the week at the Boston Theater, to an audience that taxed the capacity of that edifice. The performance was well acted throughout, and superbly mounted in every requisite of stage detail. A long and prosperous season is no doubt ahead of this new strong aggregation.

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Grant and Grant, Mr. and Mrs. Coley, "the Kohinoors of Comedy," are the first thing on the program at the Empire Theater, Indianapolis, this week with the "Gay Morning Glories" company. Their act is one of the most graceful seen in this city for some time. The manager might improve the enterowing to 'Kid' Frazier's sudden indisposition. Such endeavors only go to tainment by putting this team further down on the program, as the act is too good to be first, while the late crowds are coming in.

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Mr. J. Ed Green, our special representative with the Richards, Pringle, Rusco and Holland's Minstrels, writes: "Issue of the 3d was duly received all O. K. and everybody has their face buried in The Freeman and seem well satisfied with the notes. W. A. Seymour is the present master of ceremonies. The roster of the 'only' colored orchestra on the road is Jas. Lacy, leader; S. B. Foster, second violin; James Randolph, viola; Sam Burns, cello; S. E. Dodd, bass viola; Robt. Leach, clarionets; J. W. Toomey, flute; W. O. Terry, trombone; Alf Stokes, cornet, and P. A. Woods, traps. Pearl Brewer's backflips are nightly big hits in the 'Sugar Grinder's Holiday' song and dance."

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Mr. John A. Milton, our special representative with the Harry Martell "South Before the War" company, writes the following: "Wm. Stevenson, trombonist of Prof. Jacob Hopkins' $5,000 challenge band, sends regards to J. T. Cox, and Geo. Wilson and all friends. 'South B-4 the War' company has the new passion play with select opera music arranged by John Byron Reed; directed by J. W. Jenkins. John Hill, basso of the Standard Quartet, sends regards to all. Ralph Hawkins sends regards to all his professional friends. David D. Smith, the famous drum major, is now doubling in the brass band."

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Mr. Fred W. Simpson, our special correspondent with the Oliver Scott Refined Negro Minstrels, writes: "Well, we finished up our tour in Iowa in grand style to a splendid business in Sioux City, and we attack Nebraska today, the 5th. Our business this season has been a record breaker from start to finish and the show as a whole has been said by both press and public to be the best colored minstrel entertainment on the road. Our band, under the leadership of R. N. Thompson, was highly praised in Sioux City after the evening concert. Our orchestra, under Prof. F. M. Hailstock, received a valuable member in Mr. Joseph Ricks, flute and piccolo soloist, and Allie Brown is now playing saxaphone in the orchestra. Allie Brown, slack wire artist, has added a new feature to his act by playing a saxaphone solo on the wire, and to say that it is a hit is but putting it mild. Send 25 copies this issue."

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The genial George Gaston, of Columbus, O., writes, telling of Prof. Thomas Howard's band and orchestra of that city. The band is composed of fifteen members and the orchestra eleven. Profs. Jas. C. Jones and Oscar Lindsay, formerly of the famous Henderson Smith concert band, with "Darkest America," are important members of this musical organization. Prof. Lindsay is leader of the orchestra; Ed Rickman leader of the band and James P. Jones musical director. The Evening Dispatch, a daily of that city, in a recent issue, said: "The presence of a colored band at the State Fair all of the week caused some attention from visitors and inquiry developed that the band was the first one composed entirely of colored musicians ever hired in the history of the State Board of Agriculture. It is stated that the departure is not intended as a radical one, although on the surface it looks as if the board was trying to curry favor in this manner. The employment of the band was simply on its merits, and it is further stated that the reason why the board has never heretofore employed a colored band is because there never existed one in the city up until the present time which could furnish the proper music. The band which was employed there and which furnished excellent concert and stringinstrument music, is the new Howard's band, which made such a decided hit during the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows' convention several weeks ago. The playing of the band so pleased the fair management that it agreed at once to employ the band next year if the organization is preserved." The band and orchestra will fill an engagement at Wheeling, W. Va., September 22. Clarence P. Jones has sent the boys a new "rag-time" piece for their orchestra, also a march entitled "On to Santiago," some of his own compositions. All the boys send regards to S. N. Edmonds, of the "Octoroons."

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Mr. Clifford D. Brooks, our special representative with John W. Vogel's Mastodon Minstrels, combined with Histrical "Darkest America:" "The roster of our show this season is as follows: John W. Vogel, proprietor and manager; Edwin DeCoursey, business manager; Chas. Grimsley, treasurer; I. S. Potts, general agent; C. E. Rummell, stage manager; Eddie Cruse, stage carpenter and electrician; Henderson Smith, leader of band; Prof. Jackson, leader of orchestra; Gil Garay, in charge of costumes; John Rucker, Herbert La She, Bailey and Kirk, Clarence P. Jones, Lewis Tio, Matt D. Houseley, G. W. Houseley, Beverly Houseley, Angelo Durrant, Clifford D. Brooks, Will A. Porter, Jas. Osborne, Lloyd Cooper, Doc Sayles, George Day, Frank Prescott, James Gibson, Chas. B. Tyler, Lawrence Chenault, Willie Shields, Ferdinand Patterson, James West, Missess Ella Dawson, Sallie Lee, Nettie Goff, Lilly Garay, Minnie Agnew and Lottie Haskins. The show opened Aug. 23 at Maryville, Ohio, to standing room only, and everyone went home well pleased with the performance, and said it was the best show that ever visited that city, wishing that they could see more of this same company. In the matchless olio appear the following well known artists: The American Chansonettes, Missess Garay and Lee; Chas. B. Tyler, monologist; Master Willie Shields, wizard of the baton in some astounding feats; Mr. H. La She, the king of the wire in some marvellous tricks upon the wire. Mr. La She made a slide on the wire in DesMoines, Iowa, in 1897 from the dome of the Capitol to the ground, something that has never been attempted by other wire performers. Mr. La She has a flattering offer to go to Paris in 1900. He is now considering the offer. John Rucker, the "Alabama blossom," is one of the features of the olio. Mr. Rucker is meeting with the same success as last year playing "Uncle Amos." Bailey and Kirk, in their musical act, as the "Professor and tramp," are making big hits nightly. Every instrument used by Mr. Bailey and Mr. Kirk are novelties designed by Mr. Kirk. The caliphone and glass chimes used by them are patented. Lawrence Chenault, the famous operatic tenor soloist, is receiving flattering newspaper notices daily. Mr. Chenault is popular as ever."

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Manager L. M. Boyer, of Boyer's "Oriental Octoroons," sends the following: "It is a pleasure to send you a few notes of the 'Oriental Octoroons.' It is the only strictly colored opera company on earth; of course, we know of Isham's burlesque variety; Field's and Martell's, but with pardonable pride we can state that we are clean away from anything yet attempted—this is strictly comic opera. Introducing the Rival Twins. Our people showed up to a person for rehearsal except one man, showing that the colored people can be just as prompt and reliable as members of the white profession. The one man is Clarence Powell. The cast is as follows, principal people: May C. Hyers, Woodson Bros., C. H. Allen, Tolliver and Temple, Edward Rogers, the Big Black Four, Arthur Tays, Demines Bros., a chorus of 18, the orchestra under the able direction of Halley Smith, the band of 16 pieces, under the direction of Prof. Scott. Our advance is handled by Chas. Crittenden, general agent; Frand Reed, press agent; Alley Mays, programer. We have two of the finest cars that roll on wheels, made by United States Car Company. As a whole we can truthfully say, the great and only 40—count them—40."

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Mr. Gus Hall, our special representative with the Black Patti Troubadours, sends the following: "Miss Muriel Ringgold, playing 'Mrs. Deacon Parkhurst, is undoubtedly the best dancer of all colored or white artists in the business. J. H. Rasie, of Philadelphia, is a fine tenor, and quite valuable as an understudy for Mr. Geo. Holt, the principal tenor. Judson Hicks is singing "My Aunt Elizer" with Miss Mattie Phillips with roaring success. Mr. Hicks is an ex-Isham's Octoroon. Jas. Bland, as 'Dr. Parkhurst,' keeps the audience in a continued uproar. He is 7 feet 5 inches tall, and a comedian of no small ability. M. Guillamee Belle, basso, of Washington, D. C., is again with the company, and he stands to-day a peer of all bassos in the business. Sacred concert at Rochester last Sunday night to fine house. They are applauding still. Miss Carrie Washington, of Chicago, joined the company in New York City, and has already proved to be an ambitious and painstaking young lady and success is sure to crown her efforts in the near future. "Kid" Frazier, Hogan's right hand man in the first part, was seriously indisposed while in Syracuse, and it was necessary to have a doctor for quite a while, but at this writing he is convalescing and will be able to do 'Major Fullweather' in a few days. Harry Wellman is a dude and swell dresser on and off the stage. Leslie Triplett surprised all the members of the show by playing the difficult part of 'Major Fullweather' on a moment's notice in Syracuse last week show a man's nerve and true worth in this profession. This season's opera numbers are so far above those of other colored shows that each number leaves the audience spellbound by its entrancing beauty clear until the fall of the curtain. Miss Etta Minor is singing 'Kill It, Babe,' in the first part, and she certainly is 'killing it,' too."

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Mr. S. N. Edmonds, our special representative with the John W. Isham's "Octoroons," writes the following: "John W. Isham's famous "Octoroons" opened its season at Miner's Eighth Avenue Theater, New York City, and was royally received by the many theater goers of that vicinity. For costumes, electrical effects and new and novel, up-to-date material, the "Octoroons" are pronounced by both press and public as being beyond a doubt the greatest colored combination in the business. Mr. Isham presents the "Octoroons" this season in a new idea, viz., 'The Tenderloin Coons,' which in itself is an entirely new adventure in the theatrical world. And despite the incessant heat, which is always against the show business, the Octoroons are playing to crowded houses at every performance. The show is dramatized throughout and displays a well-depicted plot in its entirety and only intermingled with first-class specialties. Miss Belle Davis, the Wizard of Coon Songs, is the greatest success out of New York this season. So great are her efforts that she opens the olio with the Octoroons at the Bowery Theater, works in the olio as a third number at the Casino Roof Garden and closes the show at Kister and Bial's in her new success, 'Ma Rag-Time Gal.' In this sketch Miss Davis uses three pickinninies, who sing, dance and cut up all sorts of antics during her number and she never fails to leave her audiences in a wild state of excitement. Winn and Edmonds are the principal characters in the cast and display unusuall dramatic talent. They are the real Tenderloin Coons and never fail to do proud to their respective characters. Smart and Williams, the Captured Comicalities, are the fun pushers of the combination and one never stops laughing from the time the curtain rises until it drops. They are doing an entire new act this season, which is a tremendous success. They never close without leaving the house in a deafening debris of assorted applauds. Reese Brothers and Fred Douglass are another big addition to the famous Octoroons, and share equal honors with all comers. Fred Douglass as a comedian has surprised everybody and stands today among the top notchers of the hour. Following this act are the Brittons, Sadie and Joe, in their new skit of song, dance an dtalking oddities, and as a soubrettet Sadie Britton stands par excellence to all and superior to many. Hence their success is vouchsafed in itself. Joe Britton as a buck and wing dancer needs no particular mention to those who know him, as his momentary eccentricities are as natural as the winds and as comical as they are natural. The Octoroons opened up this week at the Bon Ton Theater, Jersey City, to a crowded house, and will play there all the week. They will then leave for Baltimore, Md., where they play all next week. Jno. W. Isham has a great show this season. Don't miss. Be here soon."

J. HARRY JACKSON.

Newsy Notes.

Dayton, O., special.—The first grand rally of McKinley M. E. Church was held August 27. Among the preachers present were Revs. Gillmer, Wright, Burton, Turner. The rally was a grand success. * * Mr. Geo. Turner, of Frankton, was the guest of friends last Sunday. * * Mrs. Sheppard, of Monument avenue, is ill. * * Mrs. Long, of Fifth street, is sick. Master Robert McGregor spent Wednesday in Xenia. * * Mrs. Chiltender was in Cincinnati this week. * * Rev. Samuels is attending conference at Hillsboro. * * Miss Sallie McGregor is quite ill. * * A pretty wedding was that of Miss Ella Howard to Mr. Edw. Cussin, which occurred at the residence of the bride's mother, August 30. * * Mrs. M. Patterson has returned from a pleasant visit to Maysville. Miss Bertie Mayo accompanied her home. Miss Mayo will learn the milliner's trade here. * * Mrs. Eliza Skillman, of Richmond, Ind., was in the city Sunday, the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Clara Roberson.

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Personal Mention.

Dyersburg, Tenn., Special.—Miss Tenny Barnett is improving after a severe illness. * * Mrs. Francis Barnett is much improved after several days' illness. * * Mrs. Helen Donnell returned this morning from St. Louis, Mo., where she has been visiting for several weeks. * * Rev. G. W. Wynn has been suffering with fever for a few days, but is much better at this writing. * * Rev. M. S. McCalley has just closed a week's meeting at Beech Grove C. P. Church. One profession and two accessions to the church. * * Mr. Jeff Jenkins and Miss Lillian Baxter were married by Rev. G. W. Wynn, Sept. 1. * * Mr. Israel Spence and Miss Almonia Light were married by Rev. H. Barnett Sept. 1. * * John Falkes has moved his shop back to the old stand.

Personals.

Henderson, Ky., Special.—Miss Bessye Slaughter gave a reception Friday evening at her home, Woodland Heights, in the country. * * Dr. J. M. Peters, of Owensboro, was in the city last week attending Republican convention. * * Dr. S. R. O'Neal has returned home from Cerulean Springs. * * Mrs. Kate Gibson and children left Monday for Evansville. * * The examination of teachers for county schools took place last week. Fourteen out of twenty applicants passed. * * Mr. W. J. Weston spent Sunday (28th) in Evansville. * * The public schools opened Thursday, Sept. 1st, for the benefit of children that had failed to be promted in June. A very few took the examinations. * * Persons desiring copies of The Freeman will please leave orders at Mr. Mike Browne's blacksmith shop, 426 First street, or Mr. W. J. Browne's cafe on Second street. * * Miss Badger, of Cedarsville, Ohio, is visiting in the city. * * Miss Sallie C. Bunch and Miss Annye Wordly left Sunday for Louisville. * * Mrs. Virginia Kennedy and children returned Saturday from Chicago. * * The County Teachers' Institute recently held was one of the most interesting sessions ever held here.

Notes.

Albany, Ga., Special.—Albany is a is known as the "Black Belt," and is especially noted for its artesian water, which adds much to its healthfulness. beautiful little town situated in the southeastern part of the state, in what The population is principally colored people, and their occupation that of farming, many of them owning their own farms and doing fairly well. There are also many prosperous merchants, skilled mechanics. The finest workman in the city is Mr. R. W. Payne, a colored man. Messrs. Satterwhite and Sheffield are among the best blacksmiths. The leading farmers are Messrs. B. F. Burnell, F. A. Bilingslea, B. F. Lawton, H. Bright, D. L. Jackson, J. Jefferson, C. Jackson, L. Berry and many others. * * Dr. R. E. Grier enjoys a splendid practice. * * Among the business men can be mentioned the Lee Bros., Geo. Elliott and W. H. Harrison. * * Albany has a number of colorede churches, pastored by eloquent ministers. Of the A. M. Chuch, Rev. J. H. Adams is pastor, and while Rev. C. H. Young occupies the pulpit at Eureka Baptist Church, Rev. N. B. Williamson has charge at Mt. Zion. Rev. Williamson has recently been elected State Secretary. * * The Sunday School convention will convene here Sept. 15 at the C. M. E. Tabernacle Church. * * School opens the 26th.

Interesting Items.

Shelbyville, Tenn., Special.—Prof. G. H. Campbell, of Lost Creek, is in the city. * * Mrs. Mary Anderson left the 6th for Nashville. * * Thomas Hutton, of Chattanooga, is at home after a trip to the "City of Rocks." * * Mrs. T. H. Hutton is at home. * * Rev. Carroway is conducting a series of meetings at Mt. Zion Church.

Notes.

Knoxville, Tenn., Special.—Mr. Marshall Bird, of 'New York, was the guest of Mr. Edward Anderson last week. * * Mr. William Weedon, of Washington, D. C., is visiting his family. * * Mrs. Chas. Johnson, of New Albany, Ind., is being entertained by Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Russell, of Mee street. * * The 19th century fair was the attraction at Mt. Zion Church this week. * * Miss Dolly Evans is a guest of friends in North Carolina. * * Albert Murphy is ill. * * James Trigg spent several days of last week out of the city. * * The rally at the M. E. Church Sunday was a success. Fifty dollars was raised. * * Mrs. Mattie Evans lead. * * Rev. J. D. Rogers, of Rockwood, was entertained by friends here. * * The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Nolin died last week and was interred in the Odd Fellows' Cemetery. * * D. B. Bostic recently of the City Hospital, is now a professional nurse.

Jottings—Personals.

Chambersburg, Pa., special.—Mrs. Wm. Howard, Miss Duffen and Miss Brown entertained a large number of friends on the 3d in honor of Mrs. Moore, of Allegheny. * * Sacrament was administered at St. James A. M. E. Church on the 4th. * * Misses Baker and Robinson have returned to their homes, after a pleasant visit with Miss Haller.

The Hill and Lynch factions in the Third district are together. Let this be done in every district throughout the state.—The Mississippi Sentinel.

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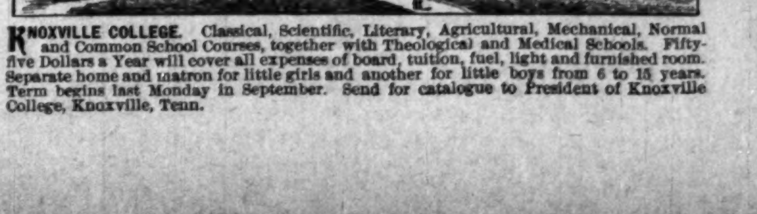

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AS YOU L IT--OR RACE

INCIDENTS BY THE WAYSIDE—MAJORS COMES FROM HIS DEN

And Touches on Important Questions—A Chance in the Race of Life is all the Negro Wants.

Dear Freeman—My good and learned friend Hodges (B. square) wonders what has become of Dr. Majors (that's me) and others who in the halcyon days gone by—

"Strained out the last dull drippings of their sense,
Who wrote with all the rage of impotence,
Whose silence is far better than our spite,
For who could rail, as long as we would write."

Our pens ain't broke an' our ink ain't done dried up (in Baxterian parlance). We are yet on the topside of mother earth, listening to the eagle scream, waiting for B. Square to call the roll or say "'Twas Not to Be." Our public school systems are being arranged so that the children may be trained to call my friend Hodges "The American Dumas." By a careful perusal and long-strained anaylsis of "'Twas not to be," the weather man at Chicago has calculated a shorter, cooler summer than Illinois has enjoyed for many a day. There are many reasons why the story should have been written. It was long, large and carefully handled. As its condition portrayed no accident befell it and no complaint for leakage. It demonstrated some real good features in Negro character and proves that the Negro is getting more backbone, more sand and a fair space for long windedness.

The Arkansas press is down on its knees in prayer for the first time since Time began. We truly hope that God will make them all good Christians, cleansing them from all evil. That means less rape, less mulatto children and less hell, some law and some peace and safety to Negroes.

No one has yet seen Bishop Turner gritting his teeth over Dr. Henderson's tirade and no one has heard him split the air in denunciation of his invectives. The lash was well laid on, "Mack Duff." Wonder if the Voice of Missions will contain the missing Shakesperian hire?

It now turns out that the Eighth Illinois, stationed at Santiago, Cuba, is a well-behaved set of soldiers. The white press is a little cowardly in their misrepresentation of the Negroes' behavior. White soldiers could have carried the "Bowery" off to Cuba and there would not have been near so much lying about them as a few curiosity stricken Negroes who had never seen the East. We should be slow to believe adverse stories or reports of the Negroes' conduct. "Truth crushed to earth will rise again."

Industrial education is an experiment, but the education of industry is not. Induce the average Negro to take to the latter and no one need fear about the youths of the race growing up in idleness. The white man's idea of all brown and black races is industrial in the extreme. Our apostles of industrial education say that skilled mechanics teach the Negro how not to work, but to make steam and electricity work for them. This sounds very nice, but when the white man and the Negro are put to work together, skilled or otherwise, how is it the Negro has to do that kind of work that only commands a half of that paid the white man?

We claim that every boy and girl, when brought up under proper influences, can tell better what they want to do in life before they see a trade or professional school than anybody in a trade or professional school can tell them. Before they get their minds confused over a great diversity of ics, isms, etc., they usually strike the mark, but when a No. 6 hat of a head endeavors to tell a No. 7 head what he or she ought to do look out for failures and fatal mistakes or drift wood.

Dunbar writes a superior kind of superior poetry, and the world can offer nothing as good of his style. Had Dunbar lived in the South, where the farm is the great panacea for all Negro ills, Dunbar would be now calling hogs and plowing old "Kit," instead of writing magazine articles, contributing poems to the London press, etc. Let the young Negro alone. He knows better what he wants to do and will do it better if his mind is not confused with a lot of rot that some fellows fatten on. "Major" Taylor is now the cycle king of the world, he having beat all records. Recognition had much to do with Mr. Taylor's success. It can not be disputed that A CHANCE in the race of life is all the Negro needs. If Taylor had not been affable and gentlemanly, his riding qualities could never have distinguished him. The white man has the key to eminence. Win his good graces and he'll let you in. Then when you get in do like Major Taylor. Pitch in for the honors and bear them off the field. Gradually our list of eminent people is growing. We now have alive Bowen, Scarborough, Dunbar, Tanner, Clement, Garrett, Morgan, Jackson, Dixon, Miss Hemming and Major Taylor. There may be others!

The Freeman readers will doubtless feel proud that I am once more with them with my kit of surgical apparatus. Instead of leeches we shall use the probe and occasionally apply a poultice. When a blister will do good then you may anticipate something "mighty" warm. If a drastic remedy is needed there is no limit to our supply. The stock is fresh and will do the work.

A bundle of letters from all parts of the country and from all trades and professions and representing all conditions in life contain virtually one single appeal: "Let us hear from you in The Freeman." Wonder if these appeals came from paid-up subscribers. We hope so. Now, while the band plays "I don't like no cheap man," Mr. Knox will pass the hat for cash subscribers. Yours, doomed to immortality,

M. A. MAJORS, M. D.

Decatur, Ill.

Personal Mention.

Terre Haute, Ind., Special.—Rev. Morris, of Indianapolis, who presides over the Evansvile district of the A. M. E. connection, assisted Rev. S. B. Jones in conducting his last quarterly meeting this conference year in his church last Sabbath. * * Rev. S. Hutchins, of Paris, was in the city last Sabbath and filled Allen Chapel's pulpit morning and evening. * * Troyless Canthorn, of the Soldiers' Home in Dayton, is home on a furlough visiting his sons and friends. * * Geo. Branson is paid a well deserved compliment by the city officials for the attractive, cheerful appearance of things in general around the city building. * * Rev. Dr. J. W. Robinson, of Evansville, arrived in the city yesterday to open the series of meetings to be conducted under the auspices of Saulter's Chapel M. E. Church. * * Rev. J. S. Henry was in Indianapolis Friday for a brief stay. Mrs. Dr. A. L. Cabell, who has been on an extended visit with her son and daughters to relatives in Henderson, Ky., is expected home next week. She will be accompanied by her sister, Miss Jennie Dickson. * * Mrs. Samuel Chandler has been ill this week. * * Mrs. Maria Griffith left for Evansville Friday where she resumes her duties in the school room. * * Mrs. M. P. Bragg leaves Monday for a visit in Paris. * * Miss Isabella Stewart, of Lost Creek, is visiting friends in the city. * * Mr. Amos Stewart, one of the harpists, is expected to join a specialty company in Dayton, O., Sept. 15. * * Mr. John W. Hale is visiting his family in Crawfordsville. * * Mr. George Davied returned from Indianapolis last Saturday. * * Miss Esia Moore has returned from Evansville, where she has been visiting friends for three weeks. * * Rev. S. B. Jones and wife, of the A. M. E. Church, left for conference Tuesday. * * Mr. Jerry Phillips has gone to Indianapolis. * * Mr. James A. Johnson and Miss Cora B. Kick married last Tuesday evening at the home of the bride on South Thirteenth street. * * Saturday evening Rev. S. B. Jones and wife entertained their host of friends and church members at Allen Chapel.

Newsy Notes.

Montgomery, Ala., Special.—Mr. Aaron Dent, of Montgomery, who has been here for 34 years, is a man of good common sense. He lives well in the city, owns a beautiful building, 25 Eugene street, and several others in prominent parts of the city. Mrs. Dent is an accomplished lady. Mr. and Mrs. Dent are the proud parents of a little son. Mr. Dent is a fine painter and plasterer. He is now Treasurer of the K. of P. of this city. He favored us with his subscription for The Freeman. * * The Douglass Lyceum met at the home of Miss Wilma Davenport on last Monday evening. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 by Mr. Robert Hill, the president, after which the secretary, Mr. Gaston Bradford, read the minutes of the previous meeting. The roll was called; the members responded with quotations from Paul Lawrence Dunbar's works, and others of repute. Great demonstrations were made by the members and much interest was manifested. There will be only a few more meetings of the Lyceum. Many spirited and intelligent addresses were made by the members, prominent amongst them being Miss Awilda Cook, Mr. Willie Weathington and the President, Robert Hill. These speeches were listened to with profound interest. * * Rev. J. S. Shaw will return to the city next week. * * The Ivy Leaf Quarette will travel next season. * * Mr. Theo. Bradford will leave in a few days for Oberlin College by way of Cincinnati. * * Miss Mary Bullock, of Haynesville, who was a guest of Mrs. A. D. Roberson, of 45 Carolina street, has returned home. * * Prof. Jerome Collins and Miss Gertrude Holmes were married. Miss Holmes is a young lady of high standing, a teacher in the public schools. Mr. Collins is a gentleman of worth and ability. * * You should not forget that a puff in The Freeman means something. * * The L. and N. Company has spent the following sum for new repairing at the depot: $150,000 for the central building; $80,000 for the freight depot; $18,000 for the shed and $15,000 for the underneath work. Two hundred and sixty-three thousand dollars in our city in a few months is not a very bad thing. * * Miss Lela Williams, of Eufaula, Ala., is a guest of Miss Annie Walker, of Pelham street. * * Miss Mary Rudalph, of Old Ship Church, has returned from the southern part of the county. * * The thirteenth anniversary of the Capital City Guards, was held in their armory of this city, on the 29th. The invitations of pinkish color, attractive letters, and at the bottom of which was found "A. C. Caffey, Captain in Command," "Admit Two." This company is among the strongest of Montgomery. A sumptuous repast was served and a few well prepared speeches were made. Capt. A. C. Caffey, the gifted talker, acted as toastmaster. Thus closed the evening's entertainment. * * Tomorrow will be a great day at Mount Meigs, Ala., a village 13 miles from Montgomery. Rev. D. Ampert and others will baptize one hundred or more persons. Miss L. E. Brewer will take in the meeting. The people out there are a progressive set. They are suporting two schools, with the assistance of the whites of the North. Misses Georgia Washington and Cornelious Brown are idolized by the community, the later being now in Europe in the interest of her work. The writer will visit the village Sunday in the interest of The Freeman. * * W. F. Crockett. Esq., has returned from his old home. He found his people in good shape. * * Mr. N. H. Hunter is a mighty busy man in his church. He is O. K. * * Prof. W. T. Breeding has returned to the city again, after an absence of two weeks. He is hustling insurance agent.

The Rules of the House.

"How can I learn the rules of the house?" asked a newly elected Irish member of the late Mr. Parnell. "By breaking them," was the prompt reply of the Irish leader, who, as is well known, spoke from experience on the point. But few members would care to adopt that heroic method of obtaining the desired knowledge, and their task in mastering the rules is rendered all the more difficult by the curious fact that many of these regulations are unwritten.

Some will be found in the standing orders, or permanent rules; but those that deal with etiquette and decorum have not been officially recorded anywhere, save in a few quaint and obsolete regulations to be found in the old issues of the journals of the house or in the minutes of proceedings taken by the clerk and published daily during the session.

For instance, a strange rule for the guidance of the speaker is set down under the 15th of February, 1620, "The speaker not to move his hat until the third congee." Propriety of carriage in leaving the chamber is thus enforced, "Those who go out of the house in a confused manner before the speaker to forfeit 10 shillings." This rule is dated the 12th of November, 1640. Again we find that on the 23d of March, 1693, it was ordered, "No member to take tobacco into the gallery or to the table sitting at committees."—Nineteenth Century.

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Damaging.

A Chicago politician—a veteran in the ranks—was recently accused by a former henchman of having offered him a bribe of $500 to do a job for him. The wily "second fiddle" kept the $500 and afterward brought it in evidence against his former chief. While the scandal was being blown about town an acquaintance of the accused met him one day and slapping him good naturedly on the back said chaffingly:

"Well, John, so you were going to drop $500 in Bill's way, were you?"

The politician colored, or, to speak accurately, his already florid complexion took on a purple tinge, as he said by way of explaining his agitation (his original language is revised):

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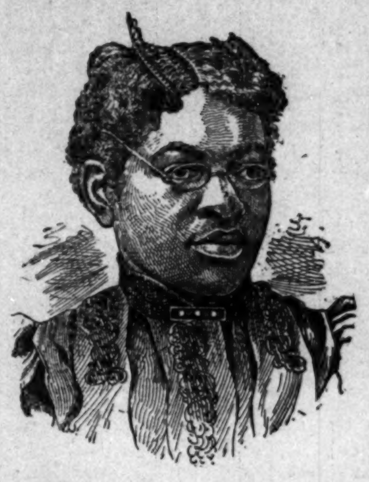

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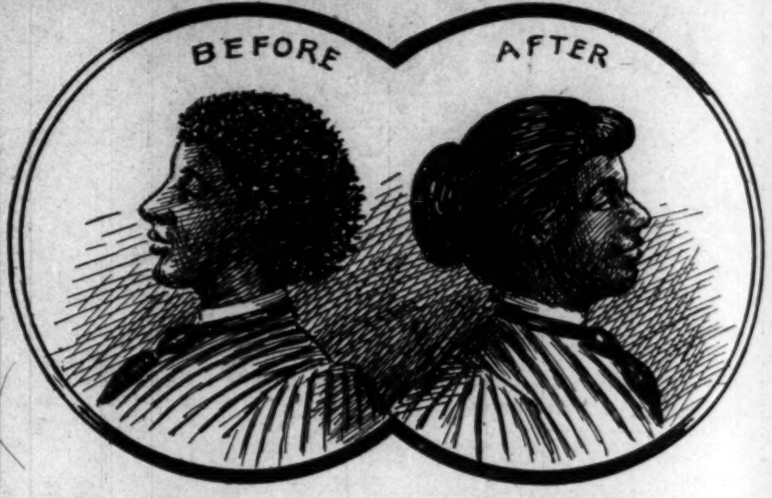

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RACE GLEANINGS.

The new French chamber of deputies includes a coal black Negro from Guadeloupe, M. Legitimus, elected by a coalition of whites and blacks on the island.

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John C .Dancy is now at work writing a history of the life of the great humanitarian, Dr. Price. Mr. Dancy and Dr. Price were close friends and the production will no doubt be a worthy one.

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The colored men of the country have a right to ask the world to remember that three of the regiments which did the skillful and severe fighting at Santiago were of African blood.—Indianapolis News.

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The New England Federation of Women's Clubs met at Newport, R. I., Aug. 15. Mrs. Mary H. Dickerson, President of the New England Federation, presided. This year the Newport Woman's League has established a home known as "The Newport Woman's Home and Day Nursery."

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Mrs. M. B. Mason, a Seattle colored woman, who went on a trip to the Klondike last year, returned a few days ago, looking well and showing no signs that would indicate having encountered hardships. Mrs. Mason's treasure amounted to $6,780 in dust and nuggets. She says she was offered $45,000 for a claim she had staked, but refused it.

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One of the admirable features of Ainslee's Magazine is the constancy with which a well-chosen list of fiction is presented to its readers. In the September Ainslee's we have an exquisite short story by Bret Harte, entitled "When the Waters Were Up at Jules." In addition a pleasing sea story by Morgan Robertson, "Billson, the Pariah," and the second of Robert Barr's wonderful Tales of the Rhine, which in romantic glamor and dash remind one not unfavorably of Scott. Finally, there is a *fascinating* novelette of foreign life by *Colonel* Richard Henry Savage.

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One of the first colored women to practice medicine in the state of Louisiana is Dr. Emma A. Reynolds, a sister of L. H. Reynolds, the editor of the African Methodist, published in this city. Last Wednesday evening there was an elaborate reception tendered to Dr. Reynolds by the more progressive and respectable colored citizens of New Orleans, who are naturally quite elated and proud of the distinguished attainment of a sister of their race. Dr. Reynolds, who purposes to practice her profession in this city, is a native of Rosa county, Ohio, where her parents still reside. She received her primary education in the common schools of that state and subsequently was matriculated in the Wilberforce University. For a few years she taught in the mixed schools of Iowa. She was graduated as a trained nurse , at the Provident Training School for Nurses, Chicago. Shortly afterwards she matriculated in the Woman's Medical College—a branch of the Northwestern University—Chicago, where she was graduated in 1895. In a class of 31 she was the only colored graduate. She then located at Waco, Texas, and became a member of the Paul Quinn College and resident physician. She also taught a large class in trained nursing. Desiring to pursue her profession, she resigned her position in the college last June and came to New Orleans and has already succeeded in establishing herself an encouraging practice. She has written several articles upon "Nurse Training," "The Necessity for Better Sanitary Conditions in the Home," and other kindred themes.

TO NEW YORK.

Quicker Time via Pennsylvania Lines.

Under schedule taking effect Sunday, June 26th, the time to New York over the Pennsylvania lines will be quickened. Train No. 20, the solid vestibule train which goes through to New York without change for either sleeping car or coach passengers, arrives Twenty-third street station, New York City, about one hour earlier than under the old schedule. The through time of this daily train is as follows under the new arrangement: Leaves Chicago 10:30 a. m., Indianapolis 2:30 p. m., Cincinnati 4:20 p. m., Dayton, 5:35 p. m., Columbus 7:50 p. m., arrives Pittsburg 1:40 a. m., central time; arrives Harrisburg 9:10 a. m., Baltimore 11:55 a. m., Washington, 1:00 p. m., Philadelphia 11:52 a. m., Twenty-third street station, New York, 2:35 p. m., eastern time.

The time of Train No. 6 has also been quickened. Under the new schedule that train leaves Indianapolis 5:50 a. m., Cincinnati 8:15 a. m., Columbus 11:45 a. m., arrives Pittsburg 5:40 p. m., central time; arrives Harrisburg 2:00 a. m., arrives Baltimore 6:25 a. m., arrives Washington 7:40 a. m., arrives Philadelphia 4:50 a. m., arrives Twenty-third street station, New YorkCity, 7:45 a. m., eastern time. No. 6 has sleeping cars through to New York without change.

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As Was Done Unto Him.

Catching at the stranger's coattail he murmured in a deprecating tone "Could you give me a little assistance sir?" The stranger turned and looked him over. His eyes were bloodshot his clothes dirty his whole appearance decided the worse for wear.

"What do you want?" was the reply to the tramp.

"A job after I get a square meal," said the tramp.

"What can you do?" asked the stranger.

"I can keep books, sell goods, drive a delivery wagon, compound prescriptions, set type and do farm work."

The stranger scribbled a few words on a card, handed the tramp $1 and said: "Take this card to this address, and I think it will get you work. Take that dollar, get a bath, a shave, a hair cut, something to eat and a drink of whisky. That will brace you to meet my friend. So long!"

"There's just one thing more," said the tramp. "How do you happen to give me just $1 and all these directions with it?"

"Because I got $1 from a man on this very corner about ten years ago," said the stranger, "just as you are getting it from me, and I'm passing up his advice and his money just for luck."—Chicago Chronicle.

Bedtime In Canada.

Any one who has visited Canada realizes the difference between Yankee hustling and the easy going way they do things up there. "I should love to go visiting in Canada," says a tired wanderer, "if the people there ever went to bed." "They never go to bed, and they never get up," commented a Hibernian who had been there.

Something must be wrong with the old axiom of how to be healthy, wealthy and wise, for the first at least these Canadians are, and they rarely go to bed much before midnight, nor breakfast much before 9 o'clock. It is an old country custom handed down and comfortably enjoyed. The 9:30 p. m. bedtime of American domesticity is there unknown, and the 7:30 breakfast belongs solely to the lowest laboring classes.

"Oh, yes, I feel splendid this morning. I got to bed early and had a good sleep," said a young man, who had been complaining of weariness and lack of rest. "What time did you retire?" asked the inquisitive American. "Oh, real early," was the reply. "Soon after the clock had struck 12."—Troy Times.

The Astute Lion.

One day a toothless lion, whose muscles were unstrung by age, lay in a shady place by the streamlet side.

He set up a dismal groaning, which soon drew a crowd of hyenas around him.

"What is the matter?" they asked.

He explained to them that the days of his kingship were over, and with tears pouring down his face protested that he was unable to defend himself against even the weakest of his enemies.

On learning this the hypocritical sympathy before shown by the hyenas changed at once to open malice. They threw themselves upon the prostrate monarch and worried him with their teeth.

Inside of five minutes they all lay rigid in death.

"Golly," chuckled the lion, "I'm glad I took the precaution to dust my hide with strychnine before I tested the kindness of these good friends. A fellow learns something by having been in politics."

So saying he calmly went to sleep.—Criterion.

His Worst Offense.

When it was proposed to lessen the list of crimes punished by death, Lord Eldon objected to the noose being banished in cases of petty shoplifting. "The small shopkeepers will be ruined by this exemption," said the old Tory lord chancellor.

Another Tory, a judge, so venerated the sovereign that he included in his regard any article belonging to the king, no matter how far removed from actual possession. A tailor had been condemned for the murder of a soldier, and the judge tacked on this addition to the sentence of death:

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The season of 1898 will open May 15. Commencing on that date excursion tickets with fifteen day limit will be on sale via Pennsylvania Lines. They may be obtained during May, June, July and August. The sale of eason excursion tickets will begin June 1, and continue daily until September 30. Season excursion tickets will be good returning until October 31.

Full information about the attractions at Beautiful Winona," its Assembly and Summer School, etc., will be cheerfully furnished all who address Mr. Sol C. Dickey, Secretary, Winona Lake, Ind. Inquiries about excursion rates, time of trains, etc., should be addressed to Passenger and Ticket Agents of the Pennsylvania Lines, or to F. VAN DUSEN, Cheif

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I very much admire the position you have taken as regards the duty of the Negroes of this country in the present Spanish-American war. I mail you a copy of the leading daily of this city, which contains an article on this matter, the first mention or reference that has appeared in it since the war began. I wanted to see the Negro go on record in this daily. Yours
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TOWN TALK.

Mr. Joseph Gibbs is visiting relatives in Cleveland, O.

Ollie McCary has returned from Lake Wauwausee.

The Zig-a-dee Board gave a "hop" Thursday evening.

Mrs. Will Newby, of Chicago, is the guest of relatives here.

Rev. J. S. Henry, of Terre Haute, was in the city last week.

Miss Sadie Asbury has returned from a delightful visit to Chicago.

First-class music will be furnished by Martin's Orchestra at Dean's Park.

Miss Letha Crossen celebrated her eighteenth birthday on Monday last.

Messrs. Oliver Stokes and Watkins, of Anderson, Ind., were in the city Sunday.

Miss Jennie Brown entertained Miss May Esters, of Shelbyville, Ind., last Sunday.

Mrs. Williams, of Chicago, is the guest of Mrs. Jack Dishman, in Roanoke street.

All the pastors of the city will take a part in the Foreign Mission Congress on the 12th.

Miss Maggie Miles, of Shelbyville, after a pleasant visit in this city, left last Tuesday.

The church will start out with renewed energies to make the new year excel the past.

Mrs. Ella Palmer and Mrs. Lizzie Dixon will attend the Lexington, Ky., fair next week.

In case of rain the Foreign Mission Congress will take place at the Second Baptist Church.

Miss Ada Bagby held a Sunday afternoon tea from 2 to 6 at her residence in Talbert avenue.

A tallyho party was given in honor of Miss Minnie Hale by the Tuxedo Club last Friday night.

Mr. Chas. Parker leaves for Worcester, Mass., today week, where he will join "Major" Taylor.

Rev. D. A. Graham has been appointed pastor for another year and both he and his people are highly pleased. The reports of Bethel in the conference which closed at Marion last Monday showed a marked increase in every department of the church. In dollar money the increase was $17 over last year.

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Mr. William Burns, of Lima, O., is the guest of Mr. Wilbur Elliott.

Mrs. Mallie Roberts, of Urbana, O., is visiting Miss Ada Parker, in Yandes street.

A pound social was given at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Leonard, Sept. 2.

Hear Hons. J. V. Lewis. W. W. Holland, O. V. Royal, J. N. Sims, J. T. V. Hill and G. L. Knox.

Mrs. Rebecca Kemp and daughter, of Terre Haute, were visiting Mrs. Laura Isler last Sunday.

Miss Mary Esters, after a pleasant stay of six weeks in this city, left for Shelbyville, Ind., Monday.

Dean's Park is most beautifully situated for an entertainment. Don't fail to go. Admission, 10 cents.

Hear Rev. C. L. Purce, D. D., president of the State University, Louisville, Ky., at Dean's Park on the 12th.

Tickets have been on sale for the Congress five weeks. We are sure the attendance will not be less than 2,000.

Misses Mamie and Katherine Page gave a party Monday evening in honor of Miss Susie Thompson, of Louisville.

Governor Mount and Mayor Taggart, according to promise, will speak at Dean's Park at 3:30 p. m., on the 12th.

The many friends of Zack Young will be sorry to learn of his illness. Friends of the B. O. of C. P. and K. of P.'s take notice.

Regular services next Sunday. Preaching by the pastor at 10:45 a. m. In the evening Rev. Wm. Collins will fill the pulpit.

Elder A. L. Murray has been returned to Allen Chapel for his fourth year. The chapel is assured another prosperous year.

Mr. Calvin Brooks, foreman of the Bates tonsorial parlors, returned Monday from a ten weeks' visit throughout the State.

Mrs. Lillian R. Johnson and Miss Maggie B. Sterrett, of New Albany, are visiting Mrs. Lula Walden, in North New Jersey street.

Mrs. T. H. Barnes, of Olive, N. Y., and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Saunders, of Franklinville, N. Y., are guests of Mr. Ceil Saunders and family.

Copies of The Freeman are for sale every Saturday at Joseph Evans' newsstand, 44 Tousen and Wilson streets, Pittsburg, Pa.

Rev. D. A. Graham went to Chicago Tuesday to atttend the Iowa conference. He expects to meet Mrs. Graham there and they will return home today.

Prof. C. F. Stokes, of Terre Haute, has been the guest of his parents and brothers this week. Professor Stokes gave The Freeman a pleasant call.

Mr. W. A. Gaines, revenue agent for Indiana and Kentucky and one of the best known citizens of the States, was in the city this week on business.

Mr. T. E. Barton, of Des Moines, Ia., but now enjoying a snug berth in Washington, D. C., was the guest of Dr. Johnson in North Senate avenue.

Foreign Mission Congress at Dean's Park, corner Madison avenue and Prospect street, Monday, September 12. Garfield Park cars will take you to the gate.

Miss Julia Wadkins, of Anderson, Ind., was the guest of friends here a few days this week. Miss Wadkins left for Carbondale, Ill., to take charge of her school.

Mr. Lucian C. Smith, one of Lexington, Ky., leading citizens, was in the city the first of the week in the interest of the fair. Rates can be had by inquiring at C. H. and D. ticket office.

Rev. A. Allensworth, D. D., of Salt Lake City, Utah, will speak at Dean's Park on the 12th. Subject, "Brigham Young, His Twenty-six Wives and Fifty-six Children, How They Live," etc.

Messrs. Harry Wyatt, Will Taylor and Jeff Porter, three "real good boys," will leave tomorrow for the Lexington, Ky., fair. From the amount of ammunition being laid in no doubt there will be a "hot time in the old town." They will be the guests of Pap Ringgold at Fort Thomas, Ky., to-morrow.

A wheeling party will leave the Second Baptist Church for Dean's Park Monday at 9 p. m. One hundred couples are expected to be in the procession, which will go down Indiana avenue to Ohio street, out Ohio street to Delaware street, south on Delaware street to Madison avenue, one square on Madison avenue to the park. All are invited.

Corinthian Baptist Church will celebrate the 17th anniversary, commencing Monday night, September 19, ending September 25. The first of the week the time will be given to entertainments of a social nature, the last of the week to religious services. See next week's issue for program.

The ladies of Calantha Court having previously met to effect organization and all eligible to become members are requested to meet at the residence of Mrs. Retta Moss, 338 North Missouri street, corner Vermont, Monday evening, September 12, at 7 o'clock. Business of importance. By order of the chairman, Mrs. Ella Williams; assistant chairman, Mrs. Retta Moss; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Bertha Young; recording secretary, Mrs. Nellie B. Nicholson.

Camp Capron Notes.

The Two Indiana Colored Companies Now Located in the Above Camp at Ft. Thomas, Ky.—Items.

Pap Ringgold is still at his post and has been dubbed the colonel by the boys.

Lieutenants Thomas and Powell are passing off for single among the single ladies.

Captain Buckner says he believes that he will live and die in Indiana if there is no better spot than Kentucky.

The boys of the two companies arrived at Fort Thomas all right and have a beautiful location overlooking the Ohio River.

The ovation that greeted the two companies as they entered camp was very great, the entire regiment turning out to greet them.

Lieut. Bess has been trouble with a "hickey" that he contracted from a cold by lying on the ground the first night of our arrival here.

Corporal Barnett, of Captain Porter's company, nearly lost his life by getting out in the river over his head while bathing last Saturday.

The entire Kentucky regiment and our two companies were in the G. A. R. parade last Tuesday and was frequently cheered along the line of march.

Mrs. Landona Williams, of Indianapolis, and her sister, Mrs. Cary, of Cincinanti, paid the boys a visit Sunday and received a very warm welcome by the officers.

Colonel Huggins has been very active looking after the welfare and comfort of the two companies from Indiana and says that he wants them to have everything they want.

The Indianapolis base ball team, composed of members from the two Indiana companies, defeated the Company I team, of the Kentucky Regiment, by a score of 9 to 8 last Sunday.

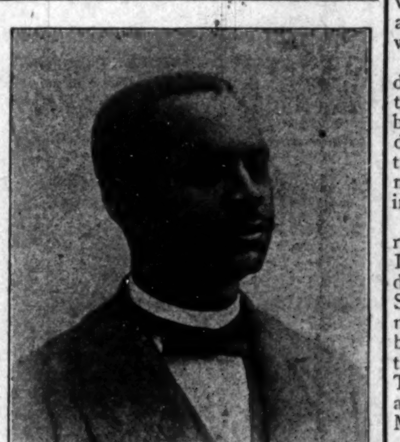
Captains Buckner and Porter have received every courtesy that could be given by Colonel Huggins and his entire staff of officers, and he especially wants it understood he has never been opposed to colored officers in any way, shape or form.

Soldiers' Aid Society Will Meet.

The Soldiers' Aid Society will meet at Blackford Street Church Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock. All persons interested are invited to be present.

REV. DAVID J. YOUNG,

Pastor Walters' Chapel, Indianapolis, Ind. Brief Sketch of a Promising Pulpit Career.


REV. DAVID J. YOUNG.

Rev. D. J. Young is a native of Chester, S. C. His parents were slaves, the property of James S. McLure, one of the former big slave owners of Chester County. He was educated at Brainerd Institute, Chester, S. C,; taught in the public schools of that county three or four terms; was for a time one of the bookkeepers for the C. C. and A. Railroad. Was collector for the Southern Express Company for more than a year. Was twice a delegate to the Republican State convention of South Carolina from Chester County. He was converted in 1881 and licensed to preach by Rev. D. I. Walker, presiding elder of the South Carolina conference, in 1887. At that time he was under the pastoral care of Elder G. W. Clinton, now the presiding bishop of the Seventh Episcopal District of the A. M. E. Zion Church. He remembers with pride that he was first urged to take up the study of theology by Bishop George W. Clinton. On being licensed to preach he was first assigned to a mission field at field of labor he secured a handsome lot for a church and at once made arrangements to build. Before being able to carry out his well-matured plans he was transferred by conference to the Drucilla circuit, in Chesterfield, S. C. He had been in charge of his new appointment but a brief spell when Bishop Lomax, needing a specially equipped man at Asheville, N. C., offered that appointment to the subject of our sketch. Right Rev. S. T. Jones, who was then the presiding bishop of the South Carolina conference, on being appealed to, granted a transfer to Rev. D. J. Young, and he at once took charge of Shiloh Church, at Asheville, N. C., remaining two years. While there he made many friends and good success attended his labors. His next appointment took him to Dayton, Tenn., where success again smiled upon his efforts. His congregations were graced with the leading citizens of the town of both races. In addition to his pastoral duties, he was appointed and accepted the principalship of the city school, a responsibility which he discharged with credit to himself and the approval of the citizens.

His next appointment was at Morristown, Tenn., success, as usual, crowning his efforts. The church at Gainesville, Fla., needing the services of a wide-awake debt-paying pastor, Bishop Lomax requested him to assume that charge. Florida being a great mission field his stay in the "land of flowers" was lengthened out to quite four years. The state of his health being such as to demand a change of climate and condition he sojourned twelve months in Mississippi. While here he met and married Miss Priscilla Louisa Jones, the beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Jones, old and respected citizens of Canton, Miss., after which he migrated to Indiana, having been given the charge of Walters Chapel, Indianapolis, where he still remains, beloved by his parishioners and esteemed by the citizens of the "City of concentric circles" generally.

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Indiana's State Fair this year will be the most brilliant in point of attractions thta has ever been given. The interest in the production of Pain's "Battle of Manila" is very great throughout the State. The half has not been told of the thrilling effect the wonderful spectacle has upon those who witness it. The fireworks display to follow consists of forty-five gorgeous numbers and for magnificence and for dazzling effect no program has ever been given in the West that will equal it.

The ingenious devices which the wonderful pyrotechnists have in store for the great week are such that adjectives enough could not be coined to describe the pleasure they give to the onlookers. A great silver fiery wheel is one of these. It has intersecting centers forming a perfect kaleidoscope, and throwing clouds of silver spray 150 feet in circumference. The State Fair aerial bouquet, produced by the instantaneous discharge of 200 large rockets containing carnival colors, is another of the newest devices.

Aside from the gorgeous night performances, the program of races for the week is such as to attract some of the fastest steppers in the racing world. Superintendent Claypool, of the speed department, has received assurance from the owners of the best stables in the country of a large list of entries. There will be four days of racing with three events each day. Each day's card presents a star event. The 2:09 pace will occur on Tuesday and on Wednesday will come the 2:10 trot. Thursday will witness the great free-for-all pace and on Friday the free-for-all trotters will have their inning.

Indianapolis day will occur Wednesday and this has been fixed so because the running of special excursions will begin Thursday and Friday and the Indianapolis people will have an opportunity of witnessing the fair and the famous naval spectacle before the heavy influx of visitors.

Secretary Kennedy has completed arrangements with the local lodge of the Improved Order of Red Men for "a day at the fair" for the members of the Supreme Council of the order, which meets here fair week. Thursday has been set as the day the Red Men will thave their pow wow on the grounds. They will be driven there in carriages, and will also witness the "Battle of Manila" at night.

The superintendents of all of the departments have written enthusiastically of the prospects for a large and brilliant exhibits. Especially interesting will be the exhibits in the mechanical and live stock departments. The cattle men will have the best show Indiana has ever known, the competitiion this year being the keenest it has ever been.

The fair will open Sept. 12 and the evening entertainments will be Sept. 14, 15 and 16.

Items.—Church Doings.

Muncie, Ind., Special.—Mr. Ohmer Knox spent Sunday in Marion, the guest of his brother. * * Misses Mayme and Vener Robbins returned Saturday from a visit to Fort Wayne and other cities, and report a delightful visit. * * Mr. Bradford, of Chicago, Ill., is in the city, whither he has come to join the Washburn Minstrels. * * The Eagle Band exeptc to turn out on Sept. 22 in their new suits. Quite a number of visiting bands are expected in the city on that day, as they are to give a grand celebration, which promises to be out of the ordinary. * * Mr. Burder, who was shot by Mr. Burrel, is imporving nicely. * * Sidney Wilkerson, who was knocked from the street car and hurt, is able to be up and about the house. * * Mr. W. M. Phillips, of North Baltimore, has accepted a position with W. E. Robbins, in the tonsorial parlor on Mulberry street. * * Mr. Tom Fausett was in Franklin the past week helping his father in the shop over Fair. * * Miss Artie Beal, of St. Louis, who has been visiting Mrs. W. H. Stokes, left last week for Franklin, to visit her grandma, Mrs. Fassett. * * Mrs. Brazelton attended conference at Marion last week.

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